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SANDY HOOK SHOOTING DEFAMATION LAWSUITS

Jones ordered to pay damages

Connecticut judge rules for families after host's repeated hoax claims

By Zach Murdock Hartford Courant

A Connecticut judge has ruled conspiracy theorist Alex Jones is responsible for all damages in the defamation lawsuits brought against him by the families of those killed in the 2012 Sandy Hook school shooting after his repeated claims that the Newtown massacre

was a hoax.

Superior Court Judge Barbara Bellis issued a default in the lawsuits Monday morning after years of what she found to be inappropriate conduct by Jones' attorneys regarding depositions and the "callous disregard of their obligation" to turn over financial and web analytics data as ordered by the court.

The default is the most severe sanction Bellis could issue, ruling in favor of the Sandy Hook families and sending the case directly to a jury to award damages without the much-anticipated civil trial.

"Mr. Jones is very used to saying whatever he wants to say from the comfort of his own studio, but what I think this case has shown is that when he is forced to defend his conduct in a court of law and comply with court orders, that it's a very different ballgame," said attorney Chris Mattei, a lawyer representing the Sandy Hook families. "The fact that the court was left with no choice but to default him shows just how

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Alex Jones speaks outside the Dirksen building in Washington in 2018. A judge Monday found Jones responsible for all damages in defamation lawsuits brought by families of Sandy Hook school shooting victims. **JOSE** LUIS MAGANA/AP

U.S. CAPITOL RIOT AFTERMATH

BANNON VOWS TO FIGHT



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Former Trump administration White House adviser Steve Bannon exits federal court on Monday in Washington, D.C. Bannon was charged on Friday with two counts of contempt of Congress after refusing to comply with a subpoena from the House select committee investigating the Jan. 6 attack on the U.S. Capitol. He declared Monday that he was "taking on the Biden regime" and fighting the charges. **STORY, NEWS PAGE 4**

CONNECTICUT EMPLOYMENT

Potential workers outnumber open jobs

Study: Amid worker shortages, only 8 states have that distinction

By Stephen Singer
Hartford Courant

In contrast to much of the country, Connecticut is among eight states where there are fewer open positions than potential employees, according to an analysis by Stateline, an initiative of The Pew Charitable Trusts.

"Historically we had a

weak economy coming into COVID shutdowns," said Fred Carstensen, professor of finance and economics at the UConn. "So even as we recover you'd expect our recovery to be weaker than most other places."

The eight states are Hawaii, California, Connecticut, New York, Illinois, New Mexico, New Jersey and Nevada. Both Hawaii and Nevada are major destinations for tourism that were largely shuttered by COVID-19.

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Help wanted signs are sprouting nearly everywhere in Connecticut, but they're not advertising enough jobs for unemployed workers, according to a recent study. **FILE**

RITTENHOUSE TRIAL

Case in jury's hands

In closing arguments, prosecutor says teen provoked bloodshed

By Scott Bauer, Michael Tarm and Amy Forliti

Associated Press

KENOSHA, Wis. — Kyle Rittenhouse provoked bloodshed on the streets of Kenosha by bringing a semi-automatic rifle to a protest and menacing others, and when the shooting stopped, he walked off like a "hero in a Western," a prosecutor said in closing arguments Monday at Rittenhouse's murder trial.

But Rittenhouse's lawyer countered that the shooting started after the young man was ambushed by a "crazy person" that night and feared his gun was going to be wrested away and used to kill him. Defense attorney Mark Richards said Rittenhouse acted in self-defense.

Rittenhouse, then 17, shot two men to death and wounded a third during a tumultuous night of protests against racial injustice in the summer of 2020, a case that has stirred bitter debate in the U.S. over guns, vigilantism and law and order.

Rittenhouse said he went to Kenosha from his home in Antioch, Illinois, to protect property from rioters in the days after a Black man, Jacob Blake, was shot by a white Kenosha police officer. Rittenhouse, a former police youth cadet, is white, as were those he shot.

In closing arguments, prosecutor Thomas Binger said Rittenhouse was a "wannabe soldier" and was "looking for trouble that night." Binger repeatedly showed the jury drone video that he said depicted Rittenhouse pointing the AR-style weapon at demonstrators.

"This is the provocation. This is what starts this incident," the prosecutor declared.

He told the jury: "You lose the

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CORONAVIRUS IN CONNECTICUT

State officials not ready to expand booster shots

Some states allowing them for all adults ahead of CDC guidance

By Alex Putterman Hartford Courant

As some states open COVID-19 booster shots to all adults more than six months removed from their second dose, officials in

Connecticut said Monday they will stick with the current guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease and Prevention, under which most but not all adults are eligible.

"We are hopeful that boosters will soon be available for all adults regardless of medical conditions or work setting," Dr. Manisha Juthani, Connecticut commissioner of Public Health, said in a statement. "However, it's import-

ant that people in Connecticut know that most adults are already eligible for a booster. ... We encourage everyone to get a booster if they are eligible and to receive their flu shot as well."

Under current CDC guidelines, COVID-19 booster shots are available for recipients of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccine more than six months past their second dose who are 65 or older, who have health conditions that leave them vulnerable to COVID-19, or who live or work in high-risk settings. They are also available for anyone 18 or older who received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine at least two months ago.

Given the broad range of medical conditions and job categories included in the CDC's guidance, most Americans already qualify

most Americans already qualify. As of Monday, 82% of Connecticut residents 12 and older were fully vaccinated against COVID-19, highest of any state, according to the CDC. Only 18.7% of fully vaccinated adults have received booster shots, however, trailing several other states in the region.

Vaccine booster shots are widely available in Connecticut and can be signed up for online at pharma-

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Four weak tornadoes touched down in state Saturday

The National Weather Service said four rare November tornadoes touched down Saturday in Connecticut, hitting Cheshire, Stonington, Plainfield and Branford. **CONNECTICUT, PAGE 1**

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unwilling Mr. Jones was to have his conduct exposed to the light of day in front of a

The ruling in the Connecticut lawsuits essentially mirrors a Texas judge's decision in late September to default Jones in three similar defamation lawsuits filed by victims' families there amid similar accusations that Jones repeatedly ignored orders to turn over records to the families' lawyers. Now the lawsuits in both states will be turned over to juries, likely sometime next year, to hear the extent to which Jones' conspiracy theories harmed the families.

The defaults are the latest turn in the highly contentious legal battle against Jones by parents of several children killed in the horrific 2012 shooting that left 20 first graders and six educators dead. The families sued Jones for defamation after he repeatedly portrayed the Newtown massacre as a hoax on his online Infowars show, ostensibly designed to prompt new gun control measures.

Jones had claimed his inflammatory monologues were protected by the First Amendment, even though he now admits he was wrong and has since conceded in court that the shooting did

The families' attorneys have argued Jones deliberately capitalized on the conspiracy theories about the shooting order to grow his online Infowars audience, growing the reach for the products he sold online and in turn his companies' profits. They sought detailed financial ledgers and web analytics data in an attempt to prove a correlation between the company's growing audience on the back of Jones' inflammatory rhetoric and his profits, but argued Jones' defense attorneys have instead lied and obscured their way through several iterations of providing that information for

more than two years. "This wasn't easy to get to

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Attorneys Josh Koskoff, left front, and Chris Mattei, right front, address the media outside Connecticut Supreme Court in September 2019 after arguments were made in the Alex Jones case. Looking on behind Koskoff and Mattei are attorney Matthew Blumenthal, from left, and Sandy Hook victim family members Mark Bardin, Jennifer Hensel, Robbie Parker and Nicole Hockley. COURANT FILE PHOTO

this point," Mattei said. "We requested this information back in 2019, we've had to fight for it we've had to over come deceit; false statements to us and the court. It was only through our clients' determination that we were ultimately able to prove to the court that this information was withheld."

Bellis agreed Monday, concluding in her ruling for default that Jones' attorneys provided only "sanitized, inaccurate" financial records and showed "callous disregard" for her repeated rulings to provide complete analytics data. The attorneys also inappropriately included information from a confidential deposition this summer in a motion seeking to question former presidential candidate Hillary Clinton, suggesting Clinton had arranged the families' lawsuit as a vendetta against Jones after her 2016 loss to former President Donald Trump, she found.

She found Jones' attorneys actions "were not just careful" but constituted "a pattern of obstructive conduct" requiring the most severe sanction of default,

what she called a "last resort." "Neither the court nor the parties can expect perfection when it comes to the discovery process," Bellis read to the attorneys from her written ruling. "What is required, however, and what all parties are entitled

to, is fundamental fairness that the other side produces information which is within their knowledge, possession and power and that the other side meet its continuing duty to disclose additional and new material."

"Here the Jones defendants were not just careless," she continued. "Their failure to produce critical documents, (and) their disregard for the discovery process and procedure and court orders, is a pattern of obstructive conduct that interferes with the ability of the plaintiff to conduct meaningful discovery."

Bellis has lambasted Jones' lead defense attorney Jay Wolman over several, hourslong hearings in recent weeks for his conduct over the past several months and repeatedly signaled she was preparing Monday's ruling should Wolman's conduct continue.

She referred back to her previous sanction against Jones in 2019 for not turning over documents and his 20-minute, profanity-laced tirade about the case on his show, during which he referred to Mattei and a \$1 million bounty "to put your head on a pike." The Connecticut Supreme Court upheld Bellis' sanction, which barred Jones from filing a motion to dismiss the case, and the U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear Jones' appeal of the decision this spring.

Wolman has called Mattei's accusations about the withholding of records and information "ridiculous" and that the families essentially were trying to engineer a conspiracy of their own that Jones was profiting from his supposed

coverage of the tragedy. "This is not a sanctions issue, this is a way to try to circumvent the merits, your honor, and the plaintiffs cannot circumvent the merits," Wolman said. "They're trying to find a needle in a haystack where there is no needle. This is a classic fishing expedition."

Wolman himself may be subject to more sanctions over what Bellis has called "abusive questioning" during a deposition this fall and is scheduled to appear before Bellis with his own attorney regarding possible discipline next month. He could not immediately be reached after the hearing Monday.

Mattei praised the Sandy Hook families' determination over the past several years to persevere when Jones' defense has thrown roadblocks at them constantly, he said.

Erica Lafferty, who had been a lead plaintiff in the lawsuit, tweeted just one word shortly after the ruling: "justice." Her late mother, Dawn Lafferty Hochsprung, was the principal of Sandy Hook Elementary who died during the shooting and Lafferty has become an outspoken critic of Jones and advocate for gun safety in the years since.

The families will have an opportunity to present to a jury the extent to which Jones' rhetoric harmed them and Mattei said the families' attorneys will continue to take depositions and seek records from Jones' companies ahead of those hearings.

Jones himself is scheduled to be deposed Dec. 14 the ninth anniversary of the shooting.

"Our clients have fought long and hard for their day in court and they are going to get that," Mattei said.

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Jobs

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Data showing fewer available jobs than interested workers are unsurprising, he said. Other states with more "balanced and vibrant" economies are bouncing back from the pandemic with greater strength than Connecticut, Carstensen said.

In Connecticut, 0.8 job openings were available per unemployed worker as of August, according to the Pew study. Nebraska was at the other end of the scale, with three job openings per unemployed worker. All of Connecticut's New England neighbors had more jobs available than unemployed workers.

Patrick Flaherty, director of research at the state Department of Labor, said federal labor economists agree with state officials about problems related to gathering statistics beginning in the pandemic. As a result, he said he would 'somewhat disagree" with the conclusions of the Pew study.

As of September, the most recent month available, the number of unemployed workers in Connecticut was 97,764. "That to me is not excess unemployment," Flaherty

Connecticut employers added 4,700 jobs in September, posting the ninth consecutive monthly gain. The unemployment rate fell 0.4%, to 6.8%. The U.S. rate was 4.8%.

Before the pandemic shut thousands of businesses, Connecticut's slow-growth economy was characterized by low-wage jobs in warehousing, tourism and elder care increasing faster than higher paid jobs.

Also cutting into the state's economic growth is an exodus of college graduates for out-of-state opportunities and workers who live in Connecticut but commute to jobs in neighboring New York, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Carstensen said.

The recovery is weak despite a broad vaccination in Connecticut that's among the highest in the

"We're in good shape in our health. You'd think we'd come back better in service contact jobs," he

In addition, Connecticut is not immune to a national trend in which nearly 4.5 million workers quit their jobs in the pandemic and its aftermath in what's called the "great resignation."

"Our quits are happening at the same pace as the national average," Flaherty

Economist Don Klepper-Smith said workers are staying on the sidelines.

"It doesn't feel like an economic recovery although data show the recovery began in early 2021."

In New Hampshire, where three times the number of job openings are available for each unemployed worker, industries across the board are reporting worker shortages, said Karmen Gifford, president of the Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce.

Banks and finance, home health care, hospitality and construction and building trades are all looking for workers, she said. Manufacturers are reporting a "huge shortage" of workers and are scheduling weekly on-site job fairs, she said.

Many workers who were forced to stay home during the pandemic and care for a relative or help a child with home schooling are now staying away from work, Gifford said.

"A lot of people in our area sold their second homes. They're not competing with the Joneses," she said. "They have their own budgets, their own lifestyles and are comfortable working part-

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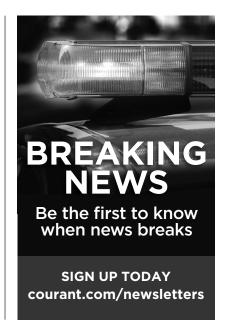
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In legal memos, a hunt for red lines

Project Veritas gauged how far to push its deceptions

By Adam Goldman and Mark Mazzetti The New York Times

WASHINGTON-Hoursafter FBI agents searched the homes of two former Project Veritas operatives this month, James O'Keefe, the leader of the conservative group, took to YouTube to defend its work as "the stuff of responsible, ethical

journalism." We never break the law," he said, railing against the FBI's investigation into members of his group for possible involvement in the reported theft of a diary kept by President Joe Biden's daughter, Ashley. "In fact, one of our ethical rules is to act as if there are 12 jurors on our shoulders all the time."

Project Veritas has long occupied a gray area between investigative journalism and political spying, and internal documents obtained by The New York Times reveal the extent to which the group has worked with its lawyers to gauge how far its deceptive reporting practices can go before running afoul of federal

The documents, a series of memos written by one of the group's lawyers, detail ways for Project Veritas sting operations — which typically diverge from standard journalistic practice by employing people who mask their real identities or create fake ones to infiltrate target organizations — to avoid breaking federal statutes such as the law against lying to government offi-

The documents show, for example, Project Veritas operatives' concern that an operation launched in 2018 to secretly record employees at the FBI, Justice Department and other agencies in the hope of exposing bias against President Donald Trump might violate the



James O'Keefe, the leader of Project Veritas, casts himself as a crusading journalist exposing wrongdoing, targeting liberal groups and Democratic politicians. COOPER NEILL/THE NEW YORK TIMES

Espionage Act — the law passed at the height of World War I that has typically been used to prosecute

"Because intent is relevant — and broadly defined ensuring PV journalists' intent is narrow and lawful would be paramount in any operation," the group's media lawyer, Benjamin Barr, wrote in response to questions from the group about using the dating app Tinder to have its operatives meet government employees, potentially including some with national security clearances.

In a separate July 2017 memorandum, Barr emailed a representative of the group that the criminal statute involving false statements to federal officials "continues to be an expansive, dangerous law that inhibits Veritas' operations."

The documents give new insight into the workings of the group at a time when it faces potential legal peril in the diary investigation and has signaled that its defense will rely in part on casting itself as a journalistic organization protected by the First Amendment.

The FBI searched the homes of O'Keefe and two former Project Veritas operatives - Eric Cochran and Spencer Meads — as part of the investigation into the reported theft of Ashley Biden's diary. O'Keefe has acknowledged receiving a grand jury subpoena in the

O'Keefe and his lawyer, Paul Calli, revealed new details about the diary investigation and FBI search to Sean Hannity on Fox News on Monday. During the interview, Calli said that Project Veritas had paid for the right to publish the diary but was unable to confirm it belonged to Ashley Biden and ultimately decided not to go ahead with a story about its

contents. Excerpts from the diary were later published by another conservative website.

O'Keefe said the FBI took his phones, which had confidential donor and source information. He said that neither he nor his group had done anything wrong, and that the FBI searches were an assault on the First Amendment.

The legal documents obtained by the Times were written several years ago, when Project Veritas was remaking itself from a small operation running on a shoestring budget to a group more closely modeled on a small intelligence-gathering organization.

In a statement issued by one of its lawyers, Project Veritas said it "stands behind these legal memos and is proud of the exhaustive work it does to ensure each of its journalism investigations complies with all applicable laws." The statement said the work "reflects Project Veritas' dedication to the First Amendment.

Project Veritas is suing The New York Times over a 2020 story about a video the group made alleging voter fraud in Minnesota.

Most news organizations consult regulary with lawyers, but some of Project Veritas' questions for its legal team demonstrate an interest in using tactics that test the boundaries of legality and are outside mainstream reporting techniques.

In a February 2018 memo, Barr said he was writing in response to questions from the group about the use of Tinder "to meet prospective agents of the 'deep state' or those with national security clearances."

The document discussed the perils of the Espionage Act at length, and warned that Project Veritas should not try to obtain or publish any information related

to national security. "In addition, as more facts and developments occur in these investigations, further legal consultation is advised," the memo stated.

In another legal document, one about attending campaign events where the Secret Service vets attendees, the group was told its operatives could not use phony names or false pretenses.

"I believe going backstage or to closed events that require identification to the Secret Service is an invitation for a 1001 charge," the memo said, referring to the federal law against lying to government officials, adding that in some cases, the group might be able to prevail in court using a First Amendment challenge.

O'Keefe likes to describe himself as a crusading journalist exposing wrongdoing, targeting liberal groups and Democratic politicians. He has boasted on social media that he is building the "next great intelligence agency."

The Times provided copies of some of the legal memos to Bill Grueskin, a professor at the Columbia Journalism School in New York and former deputy managing editor of The Wall Street Journal and executive editor at Bloomberg News.

Grueskin, who has written about Project Veritas, said that some of Barr's memos provided "pretty good advice," particularly about when it is permitted to record phone conversations and other tactical recommendations.

He said that the undercover nature of Project Veritas' work was more problematic.

"It opens you up to the charge that you've been intentionally deceptive and you lose your moral standing," Grueskin said. "Every newsroom I've ever worked in has basically said undercover journalism was unacceptable. I've never had a reporter tell me he wanted to pose as somebody they were not."

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right to self-defense when you're the one who brought the gun, when you are the one creating the danger, when you're the one provoking other people."

Rittenhouse, now 18, faces a mandatory sentence of life in prison if convicted of the most serious charge against him, first-degree intentional homicide, which is Wisconsin's top murder charge.

Binger zeroed in on the killing of 36-year-old Joseph Rosenbaum, who was the first man gunned down that night and whose shooting set in motion the ones that followed. The prosecutor repeatedly called it murder, saying it was unjustified.

The prosecutor reminded jurors that Rittenhouse testified he knew Rosenbaum was unarmed. Binger also said there is no video to support the defense claim that Rosenbaum threatened to kill Rittenhouse.

Binger disputed the contention that Rosenbaum was trying to grab Rittenhouse's rifle. "Mr. Rosenbaum is not even within arm's reach when the first shot occurs," Binger said. He rejected the claim that Rittenhouse had no choice but to shoot, saying he could have run away.

And Binger argued that once Rosenbaum was wounded, he was not even capable of taking away the gun, which was strapped to Rittenhouse's body, since he was falling to the ground with a fractured pelvis. Rittenhouse kept firing, delivering what the prose-



Kyle Rittenhouse looks back before going on a break during his trial at the Kenosha County Courthouse on Monday in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Rittenhouse is accused of shooting three demonstrators, killing two, during unrest that erupted in Kenosha after a police officer shot Jacob Blake in the back while being arrested in August 2020. SEAN KRAJACIC/GETTY

cutor called the "kill shot" to Rosenbaum's back.

"I think we can also agree that we shouldn't have 17-year-olds running around our streets with AR-15s, because this is exactly what happens," Binger said.

In his own closing argument, Richards, the defense attorney, called Rosenbaum a "crazy person" who was "hell-bent on causing trouble that night" and went after Rittenhouse unpro-

"Mr. Rosenbaum was shot because he was chasing my client and going to kill him, take his gun and carry out the threats he made," Richards said, adding that Rittenhouse never pointed his gun before being chased: "It didn't happen."

Richards said an enlarged image that prosecutors said shows Rittenhouse pointing his gun at protesters is "hocus pocus" that doesn't prove anything.

After killing Rosenbaum, Rittenhouse shot and killed Anthony Huber, 26, and wounded Gaige Grosskreutz, 28, while trying to make his way through the crowd. Rittenhouse testified that Huber hit him with a skateboard and that Grosskreutz came at him with a gun of his own — an account largely corroborated by video and Grosskreutz himself.

But the prosecutor said Rittenhouse provoked that bloodshed, too. He said Huber, Grosskreutz and others in the crowd were trying to stop what they believed was an active

When it was all over, Rittenhouse walked away like a "hero in a Western – without a care in the world for anything he's just done," Binger said.

The defense, though, said Rittenhouse was set upon by a "mob." Richards accused prosecutors of using the term "active shooter" for Rittenhouse because of "the loaded connotations of that word."

And in an apparent reference to the police shooting of a Black man that touched off the protests, Richards said: "Other people in this community have shot people seven times, and it's been found to be OK." (No charges were brought against the white officer.)

When the prosecutor displayed a photo of Rosenbaum's bloodied body on a gurney during his autopsy and another of his mangled hand, some jurors appeared to avert their eyes. Later,

close-up of Grosskreutz's bicep largely obliterated by a bullet, several jurors winced and turned away. As he spoke, Binger

walked up to the jury box and lifted Rittenhouse's rifle as if he were firing, pointing the weapon at a wall.

Jurors appeared riveted when Richards, the defense attorney, began addressing them in his booming voice.

The sound of a small

group of protesters chanting outside the building could be heard at one point during the defense closing, but it wasn't clear from inside the courtroom what they were saying or whether the jury heard them.

Rittenhouse's mother, Wendy Rittenhouse, listened intently in the courtroom.

Supporters have hailed Rittenhouse as a hero who took a stand against lawlessness; foes have branded him a vigilante.

Binger began his closing arguments by questioning whether Rittenhouse was genuinely trying to help.

The prosecutor noted that Rittenhouse had ammunition capable of traveling the length of five football fields and passing through cars, and asked the jury: "Why do you need 30 rounds of full metal jacket (ammo) to protect a build-

But Richards said Rittenhouse, who worked as a lifeguard in Kenosha and helped clean up graffiti before the shootings, "feels for this community" and "came down here trying to help, to see the damage.'

The defense attorney

when Binger displayed a branded the trial a "political case" brought by prosecutors who he said need someone to blame for the violence.

Earlier Monday, Judge Bruce Schroeder dismissed a count of possession of a dangerous weapon by a person under 18, a misdemeanor that had appeared to be among the likeliest of the charges to net a conviction. It carries by up to nine months in jail.

The defense argued that Wisconsin law has an exception related to the length of a weapon's barrel. After prosecutors conceded Rittenhouse's rifle was not short-barreled, the judge threw out the charge.

Perhaps in recognition of weaknesses in their case, prosecutors asked the judge to let the jury consider several lesser charges if they acquit him on the original counts. Schroeder agreed to do so as he delivered some 36 pages of legal instructions to the jury.

In his instructions, the judge said that to accept Rittenhouse's claim of self-defense, the jury must find that he believed there was an unlawful threat to him and that the amount of force he used was reasonable and necessary.

After closing arguments, names were to be drawn to determine which 12 of the 18 jurors who heard testimony would deliberate, with the rest dismissed as alternates.

With a verdict near, Gov. Tony Evers said that 500 National Guard members would be prepared for duty in Kenosha if local law enforcement requested

Boosters

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cies and other health care

providers. Some federal health officials have reportedly pushed to widen booster shot eligibility to all adults six months removed from their second dose, but

CDC director Dr. Rochelle Walensky has not yet signed off. In the meantime, officials in California and Colorado, as well as in New York City, have gone around the CDC to broaden eligibility themselves.

"Booster doses can provide one more laver of reassurance, allowing us to breathe a bit easier for

ourselves or for our loved ones, particularly as we gather and travel around the holidays," said Dr. Dave Chokshi, commissioner of the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, according to NBC New York. "So let's use every means at our disposal to make this a safe and healthy winter

season."

Max Reiss, a spokesperson for Gov. Ned Lamont, said Monday that the governor wouldn't rule out broadening official eligibility for booster shots in Connecticut, but that he wasn't currently ready to do so. Reiss said anyone who has been recommended by a physician to

receive a booster should already be able to receive

"If somebody wants to get a booster, and they have a physician advising that it could help them, I don't think we want to put any barriers on it," Reiss said. "A wide availability of boosters definitely promotes immunity and

protection."

Experts say booster shots will likely have some benefit for nearly all patients but that they are particularly important for those 65 and older or who have significant health issues.

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Defiant Bannon surrenders to FBI

Trump ally takes a step to fight federal counts of contempt

By Michael Balsamo and Mary Clare Jalonick Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Longtime Trump ally Steve Bannon appeared before a judge Monday to face criminal contempt charges for defying a subpoena from Congress' Jan. 6 committee, then declared combatively outside court that he was "taking on the Biden regime" in fighting the charges.

Bannon did not enter a plea.

Combative outside court, he said he was "going to go on the offense on this," saying he was fighting for freedom of speech and liberty and assailing the prosecution as political. "Stand by."

He declared, "This is going to be a misdemeanor from hell for Merrick Garland, Nancy Pelosi and Joe Biden," referring to the attorney general, the speaker of the House and the president.

Bannon, 67, surrendered earlier in the day to FBI agents.

He was indicted Friday on two federal counts of criminal contempt — one for refusing to appear for a congressional deposition and the other for refusing to provide documents in response to the committee's subpoena.

Federal Magistrate Judge Robin Meriweather released him without bail but required him to check in weekly with court officials and ordered him to surrender his passport. If convicted, Bannon faces a



Former White House adviser Steve Bannon declares he's "going to go on the offense on this." ANNA MONEYMAKER/GETTY

minimum of 30 days and a maximum of one year behind bars on each count, prosecutors said.

His next appearance is scheduled for Thursday before Judge Carl Nichols of U.S. District Court in Washington, who will preside over the next phase of what could be the first high-level trial in connection with January's insurrection at the U.S. Capitol.

Outside the courthouse, a large inflatable rat made to look like former President Donald Trump was on the sidewalk as a crowd waited for Bannon to leave.

Some in the crowd shouted expletives at him and called him a traitor, and

one man paraded around with a sign that read: "Clowns are not above the law"

The indictment came as a second expected witness, former White House Chief of Staff Mark Meadows, defied a separate subpoena from the committee Friday and as Trump has escalated his legal battles to withhold documents and testimony about the insurrection.

Bannon and Meadows are key witnesses for the committee because they both were in close touch with Trump around the time of the Jan. 6 Capitol attack.

If the House votes to hold Meadows in contempt, that recommendation would also be sent to the Justice Department for a possible indictment.

Meadows was Trump's top aide at the end of his presidency and was one of several people who pressured state officials to try and overturn the results of the 2020 election won by Democrat Biden. Bannon promoted the Jan. 6 protests on his podcast after predicting the day before that "all hell is going to break loose."

The committee said that Bannon urged Trump to focus on the congressional certification and was present at an event at the Willard Hotel on Jan. 5 in which Trump allies tried to persuade members of Congress to vote against the results.

Investigators have also pointed to a conversation Bannon had with Trump on Dec. 30 in which he urged him to focus his efforts on Jan. 6.

Bannon's lawyer, David

Schoen said his client didn't appear before Congress because he was told by another lawyer not to come after Trump claimed executive privilege would apply.

"Mr. Bannon is a lay person. When the privilege has been invoked by the purported holder of privilege, he has no choice but to withhold the documents. You can't put the genie back in the bottle," he said. "Mr. Bannon acted as his lawyer counseled him to do by not appearing and by not turning over documents in this case. He didn't refuse to comply."

Schoen also decried the Justice Department's decision to prosecute Bannon, claiming it runs counter to Attorney General Garland's statement of commitment to equal justice under the law.

Officials in Democratic and Republican administrations have been held in contempt by Congress, but criminal indictments for contempt are rare.

The indictment against Bannon comes after a slew of Trump administration officials — including Bannon — defied requests and demands from Congress over the past five years with little consequence, including during an impeachment inquiry.

President Barack Obama's administration also declined to charge two of its officials who defied congressional demands.

The indictment says Bannon didn't communicate with the committee in any way from the time he received the subpoena on Sept. 24 until Oct. 7 when his lawyer sent a letter, seven hours after the documents were due.

Bannon, who worked at the White House at the beginning of the Trump administration and currently serves as host of the conspiracy-minded "War Room" podcast, is a private citizen who "refused to appear to give testimony as required by a subpoena," the indictment says.

The New York Times contributed.

Bipartisan backdrop seals \$1T deal

President signs infrastructure bill, touts cooperation

By Josh Boak and Colleen Long Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden signed his hard-fought \$1 trillion infrastructure deal into law Monday before a bipartisan, celebratory crowd on the White House lawn, declaring that the new infusion of cash for roads, bridges, ports and more is going to make life "change for the better" for the American people.

But prospects are tougher for further bipartisanship ahead of the 2022 midterm elections as Biden pivots back to more difficult negotiations over his broader \$1.85 trillion social spending package.

The president hopes to use the infrastructure law to build back his popularity, which has taken a hit amid rising inflation and the inability to fully shake the public health and economic risks from COVID-19.

"My message to the American people is this: America is moving again and your life is going to change for the better," he said.

With the bipartisan deal, the president had to choose between his promise of fostering national unity and a commitment to transformative change. The final measure whittled down much of his initial vision for infrastructure. Yet the administration hopes to sell the new law as a success that bridged partisan divides and will elevate the country with clean drinking water, highspeed internet and a shift away from fossil fuels.



President Biden signs the infrastructure bill during a ceremony Monday on the South Lawn of the White House. **EVAN VUCCI/AP**

"Folks, too often in Washington, the reason we didn't get things done is because we insisted on getting everything we want. Everything," Biden said. "With this law, we focused on getting things done. I ran for president because the only way to move our country forward in my view was through compromise and consensus."

Biden will get outside Washington to sell the plan more broadly in coming

He intends go to New Hampshire on Tuesday to visit a bridge on the state's "red list" for repair, and he will go to Detroit on Wednesday for a stop at General Motors' electric vehicle assembly plant, while other officials also fan out across the country. The president went to the Port of Baltimore last week to highlight how the supply chain investments from the law could limit inflation and strengthen supply chains, a key concern of voters who are dealing with higher prices.

"What we see this as is

an opportunity because we know that the president's agenda is quite popular," White House press secretary Jen Psaki said Monday before the signing. The outreach to voters can move "beyond the legislative process to talk about how

this is going to help them. And we're hoping that's going to have an impact."

Biden held off on signing the hard-fought infrastructure deal after it passed on Nov. 5 until legislators would be back from a congressional recess and could join in a splashy bipartisan event. On Sunday night before the signing, the White House announced Mitch Landrieu, the former New Orleans mayor, would help manage and coordinate the implementation of the infrastructure spending.

The gathering Monday on the White House lawn was uniquely upbeat with a brass band and peppy speeches, a contrast to the drama and tensions when the fate of the package was in doubt for several months. The speakers lauded the measure for creating jobs, combating inflation and responding to the needs of voters.

Ohio Sen. Rob Portman, a Republican who helped negotiate the package, celebrated Biden's willingness to jettison much of his initial proposal to help bring GOP lawmakers on board. Portman even credited former President Donald Trump for raising awareness about infrastructure, even though the loser of the 2020 election voiced intense opposition to the ultimate agreement.

"This bipartisan support for this bill comes because it

makes sense for our constituents, but the approach from the center out should be the norm, not the exception," Portman said.

The signing included governors and mayors of both parties and labor and business leaders. In addition to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, the guest list included Republicans such as Louisiana Sen. Bill Cassidy, Maine Sen. Susan Collins, New York Rep. Tom Reed, Alaska Rep. Don Young and Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan.

In order to achieve a bipartisan deal, the president had to cut back his initial ambition to spend \$2.3 trillion on infrastructure by more than half. The bill that became law on Monday in reality includes about \$550 billion in new spending over 10 years, since some of the expenditures in the package were already planned.

The agreement ultimately got support from 19 Senate Republicans, including Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell. Thirteen House Republicans also voted for the infrastructure bill. An angry Trump issued a statement attacking "Old Crow" McConnell and other Republicans for cooperating on "a terrible Democrat Socialist Infrastructure Plan."

Biden continues to work to appease Democratic skeptics of the broader package of \$1.85 trillion in proposed spending such as Sen. Joe Manchin of West Virginia, while also holding on to the most liberal branches of his party. Pelosi said in remarks at the Monday bill signing that the separate package will pass "hopefully this week"

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Epstein to face trial by proxy in Maxwell case

NY jury selection to start against late tycoon's ex-girlfriend

By Tom Hays and Larry Neumeister Associated Press

NEW YORK — After disgraced financier Jeffrey Epstein died by suicide behind bars, a judge invited his accusers to court to vent their anger at a man they called a coward for taking his own life to escape accountability for sexually abusing them.

The coming weeks will still see, in a way, Epstein prosecuted by proxy: his former girlfriend, Ghislaine Maxwell, will stand trial in Manhattan federal court. Some of his accusers, identified in court by pseudonyms or first names, will get a chance to play a key role as government witnesses.

Maxwell, 59, has pleaded not guilty to charges she groomed underage victims to have unwanted sex with Epstein. She has denied wrongdoing.

"Thave not committed any crime," the jailed Maxwell blurted out at a recent pretrial conference. She was made to wear shackles coming and going from the courtroom, accentuating the severity of the allegations — although the restraints were gone at a hearing last week.

The questioning of jurors by Judge Alison Nathan begins Tuesday as a pool of over 600 potential jurors is whittled down to 12 — and six alternates — just before opening statements start Nov. 29 in Maxwell's trial.

Epstein, who died at 66, was arrested on multiple sex trafficking charges in New York in 2019. His lawyers contended the charges violated a 2008 non-prosecution deal with federal prosecutors in Miami that secretly ended a federal sex abuse probe involving at least 40 teenage girls. After pleading guilty to state charges in Florida instead, he spent 13 months in jail and paid settlements to victims.

After his death, prosecutors turned their sights on Maxwell.

The wealthy, Oxford-educated British socialite was the daughter of British publishing magnate Robert Maxwell, who died in 1991 after falling off his yacht—named the Lady Ghislaine—near the Canary Islands while facing allegations he'd illegally looted his busi-

nesses' pension funds.

Behind the scenes of a lavish lifestyle, prosecutors say, Maxwell seized the role of satisfying Epstein's proclivity for luring young victims into "sexualized massages."

They plan to show jurors a picture of Maxwell and Epstein swimming nude together to illustrate their close relationship.

The trial's drama will revolve around testimony from four women who say they and others were victimized as teens from 1994 to 2004 at Epstein's estate in Palm Beach, Florida, his posh Manhattan townhouse and at other residences in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and London.

Prosecutors say there's evidence Maxwell knew that the victims, including a 14-year-old, were below the age of consent and arranged travel for some between Epstein's homes. Defense lawyers are still trying to reduce or eliminate the testimony of one of the four because she was 17 at the time in a jurisdiction where that wasn't legally underage.

Prosecutors this past weekend asked the judge to let them reveal to the jury statements Epstein made to an employee about

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Audrey Strauss, acting U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York, points to a photo of Jeffrey Epstein and Ghislaine Maxwell at a 2020 news conference. **JOHN MINCHILLO/AP**

Maxwell's involvement with procuring underage girls.

The indictment said Maxwell "would try to normalize sexual abuse for a minor victim by, among other things, discussing sexual topics, undressing in front of the victim, being present when a minor victim was undressed, and/or being present for sex acts involving the minor victim and Epstein."

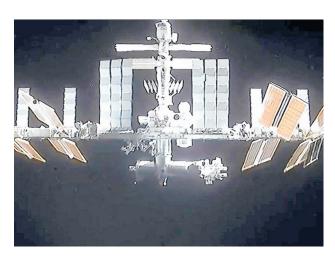
Reports that investigators seized Maxwell's address books have sparked speculation that the trial could explore Epstein's connections to Prince Andrew, former President Bill Clinton and former O.J. Simpson lawyer Alan Dershowitz.

But the judge has made clear there will be no name-dropping at trial, saying only certain pages of an address book — showing a section naming the alleged victims under the heading "massage" — will come into evidence.

And she blocked prosecutors' attempt to introduce emails they said would show Maxwell tried to select women for other men, saying she was using her access to women "as a form of social currency with other influential men with whom she sought to ingratiate herself."

The defense has signaled it wants to portray Maxwell as a victim of sorts.

"Jeffrey Epstein was a brilliant man who was flawed by enduring personality traits familiar to psychiatrists," her lawyers said in a recent court filing. "Like many people who achieve great power and wealth, Jeffery Epstein exploited the 'Halo effect' to surround himself with people who would serve his needs."



The State Department called the Russian weapons test now threatening the space station, above, "irresponsible." **NASA**

US: Russian arms test puts 7 astronauts at risk

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — A Russian weapons test created more than 1,500 pieces of space junk that is threatening the seven astronauts aboard the International Space Station, U.S.

officials said Monday.

The State Department confirmed the debris was from an old Russian satellite destroyed in Monday's anti-satellite weapons test.

"It was dangerous. It was

reckless. It was irresponsible," State Department spokesman Ned Price said.

Earlier Monday, the four Americans, one German and two Russians on board were forced to seek shelter in their docked capsules because of the debris.

At least 1,500 pieces of the destroyed satellite were sizable enough to show up on radar, Price said. But countless other fragments were too small to track, yet still posed a danger to the space station as well as orbiting satellites.

"We are going to continue to make very clear that we won't tolerate this kind of activity," Price said.

NASA Mission Control said the threat might continue for another couple of days and continue to interrupt the astronauts' science research and other work. Four of the seven crew members arrived at the outpost Thursday night.

The U.S. Space Command said it was tracking the field of orbiting debris.

Earlier in the day, the Russian Space Agency said via Twitter that the astronauts were ordered into their docked capsules, in case they had to make a quick getaway. Later, the crew was "routinely performing operations," the agency said.

The debris seemed to pose a threat on each passing orbit — or every 1½ hours. Until Monday, some 20,000 pieces of space junk were being tracked, including old and broken satellites.





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In psychedelic legalization push, vets fight on

By Andrew Jacobs
The New York Times

APPLE VALLEY, Calif. — Jose Martinez, a former Army gunner whose right arm and both legs were blown off by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan, has a new calling: He has become one of the most effective lobbyists in a campaign to legalize the therapeutic use of psychedelic drugs across the country.

On a Zoom call this spring with Connie Leyva, a Democratic legislator in California who has long opposed relaxing drug laws, Martinez told her how psilocybin, the psychoactive ingredient in "magic" mushrooms, had helped to finally quell the physical pain and suicidal thoughts that had tormented him.

Leyva says she changed her mind even before the call ended, and she later voted yes on the bill, which is expected to become law early next year.

"We ask these men and women to go fight for our freedoms," she said in an interview. "So if this is something that is helping them live a more normal life, I feel like I shouldn't stand in the way."

In the two years since Oregon, Washington, D.C., and a half-dozen municipalities decriminalized psilocybin, vets have become leading advocates in the drive to legalize psychedelic medicine, which they credit with helping ease the post-traumatic stress, anxiety and depression that are often tied to their experiences in the military.

The campaign has been propelled by the epidemic of suicides among veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan and by the national reckoning over the mass incarceration of people on drug charges that has softened public attitudes on prohibition.

More than 30,000 service members have taken their own lives in the years since Sept. 11 — four times the number of those who died on the battlefield — and



Jose Martinez, a former Army gunner whose right arm and both legs were blown off by a bomb in Afghanistan, is in constant pain but says his use of psilocybin has helped him to focus on activities like surfing. **DAMON CASAREZ/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

the Department of Veterans Affairs has struggled to address the crisis with the traditional repertoire of pharmacological interventions.

The recent U.S. with-drawal from Afghanistan may have marked the end of America's "forever war," but the psychological fallout from two decades of military conflict continues to reverberate among many of the 1.9 million personnel who served overseas.

Jesse Gould, a former Army Ranger who started Heroic Hearts Project, an organization that connects veterans to psychedelic therapies available in Latin America, also measures the desperation in the daily barrage of emails he gets from vets seeking help.

The waiting list for a treatment slot, he said, has stretched to 850 people.

"The federal health care system has failed us, which is why veterans have to seek care outside the country," he said. "They are already turning to psychedelic options in droves, so we can either decide to call these veterans criminals, which is what we do now, or we can make sure they can get effective care here at home."

Recent studies have buttressed anecdotal accounts of benefit and helped to quantify the therapeutic value of substances like LSD, psilocybin and MDMA, the drug better known as ecstasy. A study in Nature Medicine found that MDMA paired with counseling brought marked relief to patients with severe PTSD. Another in the New England Journal of Medicine highlighted the potential of psilocybin therapy for treating severe depression.

Although current federal law largely prohibits the medical use of these compounds, researchers expect MDMA-assisted talk therapy to win approval from the Food and Drug Administration in the next year or two, followed soon after by psilocybin, which

has already received agency approval as a "breakthrough therapy" for severe depression. In 2019, the FDA gave approval to esketamine, a nasal spray derived from the anesthetic ketamine, for treatment-resistant depression. Off-label use of ketamine for depression has also become increasingly popular.

Kevin Matthews, a military veteran who led a 2019 ballot measure in Denver that decriminalized psilocybin mushrooms — the first U.S. city to do so — said personal testimonies about psychedelic therapy have been pivotal in winning over skeptics who worry that decriminalization will fuel increased recreational use.

"The key to doing that is getting the right people in front of the right constituencies," he said.

Decriminalization advocates have made remarkable progress over the past two years. Last month Seattle embraced the decriminalization of psilocybin and other plant-based psychoactive drugs, and Michigan and several other cities across the country are poised to do the same.

But as psychedelics have gained acceptance among mental health professionals, even enthusiastic supporters of decriminalization acknowledge the potential perils of doing so without adequate regulation or professional guidance. Overdoses are rare, and the compounds are not considered addictive, but experts stress the importance of chaperoned drug trips given anecdotal reports about adverse reactions among people with serious disorders like schizophrenia.

At first glance, former military personnel might seem unlikely champions for illegal, mind-altering drugs that many Americans associate with the countercultural peaceniks of the 1960s and 1970s. But veterans have become powerful emissaries for psychedelics across the political spectrum.

Juliana Mercer, a Marine Corps veteran from San Diego who helps connect former service members to psychedelic therapies, says her lobbying efforts are especially useful with Republican legislators who often harbor anti-drug attitudes but hold veterans in high esteem.

"It helps that I'm not some stereotypical hippie doing LSD for fun," she said. "But I think our voices are impactful because we've put our lives on the line for our country, and after 20 years of war, we need help healing because nothing has worked so far."

Recent converts include Rick Perry, the former Republican governor of Texas, who earlier this year returned to the state Capitol to join Democratic lawmakers promoting a bill to authorize the clinical study of psilocybin. The bill passed both legislative chambers in June and became law.

Perry declined an interview request, but during a news conference in April he said his conversion from an anti-drug stalwart to a champion of psychedelic therapies was inspired by his personal relationship with a combat veteran who had turned to opioids to deal with his PTSD.

Rep. Dan Crenshaw, R-Texas, and a former Navy SEAL who had consistently opposed efforts to relax drug laws in Congress, also had a change of heart after hearing from fellow veterans. In September, he introduced an amendment to a defense spending bill that would have allowed the Pentagon to fund psychedelics research. The amendment, however, failed to advance out of a House rules committee.

Researchers are still trying to understand the mechanics of psychedelicassisted therapies, but they are widely thought to promote physiological changes in the brain. The drugs can provide a fresh perspective on seemingly intractable trauma.



Freed journalist Danny Fenster stands with former U.S. diplomat Bill Richardson on Monday in Naypyitaw, Myanmar. "I'm feeling all right physically," Fenster said. **THE RICHARDSON CENTER**

US journalist released from Myanmar jail, on way home

By Grant Peck and David Rising Associated Press

BANGKOK — American journalist Danny Fenster, who spent nearly six months in jail in military-ruled Myanmar and was sentenced last week to 11 years of hard labor, was freed Monday and began his journey home.

Fenster was handed over to former U.S. diplomat Bill Richardson, who helped negotiate the release, and the two landed in Doha, Qatar.

"I'm feeling all right physically," Fenster said on the tarmac in comments carried by the Al Jazeera network. "It's just the same privations and things that come with any form of incarceration. You just go a little stir-crazy. The longer it drags on, the more worried you are that it's just never going to end. So that was the biggest concern, just staying sane through that."

While still jailed, Fenster told his lawyer that he believed he had COVID-19, though prison authorities denied that.

Fenster, the managing

editor of online magazine Frontier Myanmar, was convicted Friday of spreading false or inflammatory information, contacting illegal organizations and violating visa regulations. Days before his conviction, he learned he had been charged with additional violations of terrorism and treason statutes that put him at risk of an even longer sentence of life in prison.

sentence of life in prison.

He is one of more than 100 journalists, media officials or publishers who have been detained since the military ousted the elected government of Nobel laureate Aung San Suu Kyi in February, and his was the harshest sentence yet.

"This is the day that you hope will come when you do this work," Richardson, a former governor of New Mexico and past ambassador to the United Nations, said in a statement emailed by his office.

Richardson is known for traveling to nations with which Washington has poor, if any, relations — such as North Korea — to obtain the freedom of detained

Americans.
Fenster has been in

detention since he was arrested May 24 at Yangon International Airport as he was headed to the Detroit area to see his family.

"We are overjoyed that Danny has been released and is on his way home — we cannot wait to hold him in our arms," his family said in a statement.

In a statement.

The allegations against Fenster were never clear, but much of the prosecution's case appeared to hinge on proving that he was employed by another online news site that was ordered closed this year during a crackdown on the media following the military's seizure of power. Fenster used to work for the

site but left that job last year.
Fenster, a native of the Detroit area, has a master's degree from Wayne State University, and had worked for a newspaper in Louisiana before moving to Southeast Asia, according to Deadline Detroit, a news website to which he was an occasional contributor.

occasional contributor.

Bryan Fenster has said his brother had a "passion for writing about folks who struggle and fight for social justice"

Mistrial denied amid tensions over Jackson's visit in Ga. trial

By Russ Bynum Associated Press

BRUNSWICK, Ga. — A judge denied mistrial requests Monday at the trial of three white men charged with murdering Ahmaud Arbery after defense attorneys claimed jurors were tainted by weeping from the gallery where the slain Black man's parents sat with the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

The morning's testimony was largely disrupted by arguments outside the jury's presence over Jackson's appearance. The judge said he found one defense lawyer's complaints last week about Black pastors to be "reprehensible" and no group would be excluded from his courtroom

from his courtroom.

Father and son Greg and Travis McMichael armed themselves and pursued Arbery, 25, in a pickup truck after spotting him running in their neighborhood on Feb. 23, 2020. Their neighbor William "Roddie" Bryan joined the chase and took cellphone video of Travis McMichael shooting Arbery three times with

a shotgun.

Tensions flared in the courtroom soon after Jackson sat in the back row of the courtroom between Arbery's parents. Defense attorney Kevin Gough asked the judge to make the civil rights leader leave to avoid unfairly influencing the jury.

Gough, an attorney for Bryan, also complained last week when the Rev. Al Sharpton joined Arbery's mother, Wanda Cooper-Jones, and father, Marcus Arbery Sr., inside the Glynn County courtroom.

Gough told the judge Thursday "we don't want any more Black pastors coming in here."

"There is no reason for these prominent icons in the civil rights movement to be here," Gough said Monday. "With all due



The Rev. Jesse Jackson listens to Ahmaud Arbery's mother, Wanda Cooper-Jones, on Monday in Brunswick, Ga. Her son was killed last year. **STEPHEN B. MORTON/AP POOL PHOTO**

respect, I would suggest, whether intended or not, that inevitably a juror is going to be influenced by their presence in the courtroom."

Superior Court Judge Timothy Walmsley declined the request. Courtrooms are generally open to the public, although the judge has limited seating in the public gallery because of the coronavirus pandemic.

"The court is not going to single out any particular individual or group of individuals as not being allowed into his courtroom as a member of the public," Walmsley said. "If there is a disruption, you're welcome to call that to my attention."

Jackson told reporters outside the courthouse that he came to coastal Brunswick to support justice for Arbery's family, not in response to the attorney's previous remarks about Black pastors.

"As the judge said, it was my constitutional right to be there," Jackson said. "It's my moral obligation to be there."

"It's my moral obligation to be there."
Jackson acknowledged that Arbery's mother wept "very quietly" in the courtroom after prosecutors

showed a photo of her son

to a witness.

Gough's mistrial request was joined by the two other defense teams.

Franklin Hogue, an attorney for Greg McMichael, said he fears the defendants aren't receiving a fair trial in the community.

Jason Sheffield, one of Travis McMichaels' attorneys, said the weeping caused some jurors to look and see Jackson.

Walmsley warned the attorneys their own statements may have lured some high-profile figures to the courthouse.

Walmsley singled out a comment Gough made to back up his "Black pastors" remark last week: "If a bunch of folks came in here dressed like Colonel Sanders with white masks sitting in the back ..." before the judge cut him off.

Outside the courthouse last week, Sharpton denounced the jury's makeup. Walmsley allowed the jury to be sworn in over objections by prosecutors who said several potential jurors were excluded because of race, leaving only one Black juror on the panel of 12. Glynn County, where the trial is being held, is nearly 27% Black.

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NEWS BRIEFING

Vermont Democratic Sen. Patrick Leahy won't seek reelection

From news services

MONTPELIER, Vt. -Democratic Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont, the longest-serving current member of the Senate, said Monday he will not seek reelection next year to the seat he has held for eight

Leahy, 81, said he and his wife, Marcelle, have concluded that "it is time to pass the torch to the next Vermonter who will carry on this work for our great state. It's time to come home."

The announcement marks the end of a political era. First elected to the Senate in 1974, Leahy is the last of the so-called Watergate babies who were elected after President Richard Nixon's resignation. During his nearly half-century in the Senate, Vermont shifted from one of the most solidly Republican states in the country to one of its most progressive.

That transition will be critical to Democrats who hope to maintain control of the Senate after next year's midterm elections. With the chamber evenly divided, the party can't afford to lose any of its current seats.

Leahy will leave the Senate with a record of promoting human rights, working to ban land mines and protect individual privacy rights. He has been a champion of the environment, especially of Lake Champlain, the body of water that separates northern Vermont from upstate New York.

By retiring and creating the first vacancy in Vermont's congressional delegation since 2006, Leahy sets up a scramble to succeed him among a number of the state's up-and-coming politicians.

Matthew Dickinson, a political science professor at Middlebury College, said a likely choice to succeed

Leahy would be Democratic Rep. Peter Welch, the state's lone member of the U.S. House of Representatives.

It's uncertain which Republican Party candidates might seek their party's nomination to run in the November election. Phil Scott, the state's Republican governor who frequently criticized former President Donald Trump and has called for civility in politics, reiterated Monday that he is not interested in running.

Britain car explosion: British authorities raised the country's threat level to its second-highest rung on Monday, after police said a blast in a taxi outside a Liverpool hospital was caused by a homemade bomb.

Investigators said they were treating Sunday's explosion - which killed the suspected bombmaker and injured the cab driver — as a terrorist incident, but that the motive was unclear.

Counterterrorism police named the dead man as 32-vear-old Emad Al Swealmeen. They did not give further details, though Britain's Press Association news agency and other media reported that he had not been on the radar of the security services.

The Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre raised the U.K. threat level from substantial — meaning an attack is likely – to severe, meaning it is highly likely, following \bar{t} he U.K.'s second fatal incident in a month.

Film crew union contracts: Film industry crew members have narrowly voted to approve a pair of contracts with Hollywood producers after a standoff that came within days of a strike that would have frozen productions across the U.S., union leaders said Monday.

The agreements passed



Migrants gather Monday on the Belarusian-Polish border near the Polish border crossing in Kuznica. Thousands of migrants have crossed or attempted to cross the EU and NATO border since the summer. Western countries have accused the Belarusian regime of engineering the crisis in retaliation against EU sanctions, charges that Minsk has denied. OKSANA MANCHUK/BELTA

56% to 44% among delegates from the 36 local unions of the International Alliance of Theatrical and Stage Employees in the voting system that resembles the U.S. Electoral College.

But in the popular vote, 50.3% said yes and 49.7% no of the approximately 45,000 members who cast a ballot in voting held from Friday through Sunday.
A victorious "no" vote

would have reopened negotiations and brought back the possibility of a strike.

Philippine elections: Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte on Monday filed his candidacy for a senate seat in next year's elections, walking back on his vow that he would retire from politics when his term ends and prompting rights groups to sav the leader is working to evade accountability for his deadly anti-drug campaign while in office.

A lawyer for the 76-yearold Duterte filed his senatorial candidacy at the

Commission on Elections before the deadline for last-minute contenders in May's nationwide elections.

Duterte announced early last month that he was retiring from politics after dropping plans to run for vice president due to what he said was widespread public sentiment against the move.

Legal experts say that could violate the Philippine constitution, which limits presidents to a single six-year term, as the vice president replaces the elected president if the latter dies or gets incapacitated for any reason.

Texas governor: Democrat Beto O'Rourke is running for governor of Texas, pursuing a blue breakthrough in America's biggest red state after his star-making U.S. Senate campaign in 2018 put him closer than anyone else in decades.

O'Rourke's announcement Monday kicks off a third run for office in as many election cycles. He burst into the 2020 Democratic presidential primary as a party phenomenon but dropped out eight months later as money dried up.

"It's not going to be easy. But it is possible," O'Rourke said in an interview with The Associated Press ahead of his announcement.

O'Rourke's return sets up one of 2022's highest-profile - and potentially most expensive – races for governor. Gov. Greg Abbott, a Republican, is seeking a third term and has put Texas on the vanguard of hardright policymaking in state capitals and emerged as a national figure. A challenge from O'Rourke, a mediasavvy former congressman with a record of generating attention and cash, could tempt Democrats nationwide to pour millions of dollars into trying – again to flip Texas.

India opens to vaccinated: India began on Monday allowing fully vaccinated foreign tourists to enter the country on regular

commercial flights in the latest easing of coronavirus restrictions as infections fall and vaccinations rise.

Tourists entering India must be fully vaccinated, follow all COVID-19 protocols and test negative for the virus within 72 hours of their flight, according to the health ministry. Many will also need to undergo a post-arrival COVID-19 test at the airport. However, travelers from countries that have agreements with India for mutual recognition of vaccination certificates, such as the U.S., U.K. and many European nations, can leave the airport without undergoing a COVID-19 test.

This is the first time India has allowed foreign tourists on commercial flights to enter the country since March 2020, when it imposed one of the toughest lockdowns in the world in an attempt to contain the pandemic. Fully vaccinated tourists on chartered flights were allowed to enter starting last month.



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Reports: Trump selling DC hotel for \$375 million

Fla. investment group plans to rebrand 263-room lodging as a Waldorf Astoria

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Donald Trump's opulent hotel near the White House that drew lobbyists and diplomats seeking favor with the former president as well as criticism as a symbol of his ethics conflicts is being sold to a Miami investment group, according to published reports citing anonymous sources.

CGI Merchant Group agreed to pay the Trump Organization \$375 million for the rights to the 263-room hotel and has plans to rebrand it as a Waldorf Astoria, according to The Wall Street Journal and The New York Times, citing anonymous sources with knowledge of the matter.

Neither the Trump Organization nor

CGI responded to requests for comment.

The deal is expected to close next year after which the hotel will be managed by the Waldorf Astoria under a separate deal struck by CGI, according to The Wall Street Journal. The Waldorf Astoria business is owned by Hilton Worldwide Holdings.

The hotel has been a money loser for the

Trump family since it won rights to convert a stately federal building called the Old Post Office from the federal government under a lease that, with extensions, can run nearly 100 years.

The Trump Organization poured \$200 million to convert it into a luxury hotel, opening its doors in late 2016, shortly before Trump became president. It then proceeded to lose more than \$70 million over four years, according to audited reports obtained by a House committee investigating Trump's conflicts of interest with the business. The losses came even before the pandemic led to shutdowns.

Ethics experts urged Trump to sell the hotel and other business holdings before he took office, but Trump refused and the hotel soon became a magnet for the powerful and power seeking: Lobbyists for industries trying to shape policy, Republican politicians looking for a presidential imprimatur, and diplomats from Azerbaijan, the Philippines, Kuwait and other countries.

Looming over all the din in his glittering lobby was the question: How much were

decisions made by Trump a few blocks away in the Oval Office being shaped by his financial interests and, even if not at all, why risk tarnishing U.S. policy with even the appearance of conflict?

Trump dismissed such worries. The Trump Organization promised to send a check to the U.S. Treasury each year equivalent to profits from foreign government patrons, a response to criticisms he was violating the emoluments clause in the U.S. Constitution forbidding foreign government gifts.

It's not clear how much money the Trump family is making from the sale given that terms of the deal have not been disclosed. Sales of hotels sometimes include "earn outs" in which the seller is only handed all the money promised if the buyer hits certain financial goals in the years after the deal closes.

The Trump family was originally hoping to get \$500 million for the hotel when it first put it on the market in the fall of 2019. It was pulled off the market, then put back on this year.

US, Japan agree on tariff talks amid spat

By Mari Yamaguchi Associated Press

TOKYO — U.S. and Japanese officials agreed Monday to launch talks aimed at settling a dispute over American tariffs on imports of Japanese steel and aluminum.

The agreement came in a meeting between visiting U.S. Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo and Japan's minister of economy, trade and industry, Koichi Hagiuda, Japanese officials said.

Japan hopes to convince Washington to lift tariffs imposed during President Donald Trump's administration.

The U.S. recently resolved a similar dispute with the European Union in a deal officials said addresses excess capacity that can distort the steel market. It patched up a trans-Atlantic rift and is meant to create a framework for reducing the carbon-intensity of steel and aluminum production that contributes to the warming of the earth.

Trump ordered the extra tariffs, 25% on steel imports and 10% on aluminum, in March 2018, asserting they would protect U.S. jobs and national security.

Hagiuda made it clear in the meeting that Japan wants the tariff issue "completely" resolved, in line with the World Trade Organization, trade and Industry Ministry officials said after the talks. Japan considers U.S. tariffs imposed on steel and aluminum imported from Japan as "problematic," they

Raimondo responded to a request by Japanese Foreign Minister Yoshimasa Hayashi during a meeting Monday to scrap the extra tariffs on Japanese steel and aluminum exports to the United States by saying she planned to tackle the issue as a priority, the Foreign Ministry said.

Raimondo is expected to visit Malaysia and Singapore after Tokyo.



Karlet Hewitt, who moved from New York with hopes of buying a home, with her son, Adam, in Raleigh, North Carolina, Lost pay during the pandemic and high costs threaten strides that single mothers had made in homeownership. EAMON QUEENEY/THE NEW YORK TIMES

A challenge for single women

With a competitive housing market and pandemic shock, homebuying is harder for them

By Tara Siegel Bernard The New York Times

Karlet Hewitt decided to make major lifestyle changes after experiencing the shocks of the pandemic: the income hit, the confinement, the view of the padlocked park through her third-floor apartment window. In February, Hewitt - a single mother to a 9-year-old boy — left Mount

"The goal for me was to buy a home in North Carolina because it was a better market," she said.

Vernon, New York, and headed south.

But Hewitt burned through a lot of her savings as she refocused her event planning business on virtual gatherings, all while home prices shot up.
"Now," she said, "how does one even

entertain this?

Even without the benefit of a second earner, single mothers — those who have never married — have made up a growing share of homebuyers over the past three decades. Although they still lag

behind single fathers and married couples. one-quarter of single mothers were homeowners in 2019 — roughly double the rate in 1990, according to a recent report from the Urban Institute.

But the pandemic threatens to dampen that progress, experts said. Women have borne the brunt of the job losses over the last year and a half, while also shouldering most of the child care responsibilities an acute challenge for single mothers, especially those with young children. At the same time, the housing market has grown highly competitive: Prices of single-family homes rose nearly 20% in August, the latest data available, from a year earlier, according to S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller's National Home Price Index.

Homeownership is often viewed as a sign of financial stability, with good reason: It ensures that housing costs remain predictable even as rents and inflation rise. And though homeownership is not risk-free, it generally provides a growing store of wealth that can be tapped later or passed on to the next generation.

"Homeownership is an extremely important part of people's savings and wealth accumulation, especially for middle-income or median households,"

said Kelly Shue, a professor of finance at the Yale School of Management.

Shue analyzed government survey data from 1989 through 2016 and found that, among households with median savings, homes accounted for 70% of single women's wealth near retirement, compared with 50% for single men and roughly 60% for married couples.

The pandemic, combined with the challenging market landscape, has eroded women's confidence about their likelihood of becoming homeowners. Nearly 60% of single female heads of households who rent said they could not afford to buy and did not know if they ever would, according to a September study by Freddie Mac, the government-backed mortgage giant.

'It is really hard," said Hewitt, 33, who said her events business was still struggling to regain its pre-pandemic momentum. She is focusing on stabilizing her income so she can rebuild her down-payment fund. That is a challenging prospect given the costs of rent; child care for her son, Adam; and student loan debt that now tops \$109,000, although her payments are on hold

"How do you make your way out of this?" she asked. "I am an optimist, but I don't

BUSINESS BRIEFING

Justices reject appeals by VW

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Monday turned away appeals from Volkswagen that sought to stop state and local lawsuits related to the 2015 scandal in which the automaker was found to have rigged its vehicles to cheat U.S. diesel emissions tests.

The court's action allows suits by Ohio. Salt Lake County, Utah, and the environmental protection agency in Hillsborough County, Florida, to continue.

German-based VW has paid over \$23 billion in fines and settlements with federal regulators, the company said in court filings.

It now is facing additional suits over its admission that it installed on 585,000 new cars sold in the U.S. software that turns on pollution controls during government tests and shuts them off on the road.

Police: Traveler punches worker

 ${\it DALLAS-A}$ woman has been arrested after punching a Southwest Airlines employee in the head during boarding Saturday for a flight out of a Dallas airport, police Arielle Jean Jackson, 32, was arrested and

has been charged with aggravated assault. The incident happened during the board-

ing process for a flight to New York, Southwest Airlines spokesman Chris Mainz said.

Police said Jackson first had a verbal altercation with an operations agent at the back of the plane and was asked to exit. As Jackson was exiting, she had another

verbal altercation with a second operations agent that turned physical, with Jackson striking the woman on the head with a closed fist, police said.

Shell planning to move headquarters to UK

Associated Press

LONDON - Royal Dutch Shell proposed moving its headquarters from the Netherlands to the United Kingdom and streamlining its structure Monday in hopes of making it easier to move forward in a world transitioning away from a dependence on fossil fuels.

The company, which has been incorporated in the U.K. with Dutch tax residency and dual class shares since 2005, said it wanted to move to a more conventional structure to make the company more competitive as it seeks to meet the challenges of shifting toward cleaner energy.

'The government deeply regrets that Shell wants to move its head office to the

United Kingdom," Dutch Economic Affairs and Climate Minister Stef Blok said. "We are in talks with the top of Shell about the implications of this move for jobs, critical investment decisions and sustainability."

He said the company had assured the government that "the personnel consequences of this decision will be limited to the relocation of a number of executive, board positions from the Netherlands to the United Kingdom."

Shell said that while it was proud of its Dutch heritage, the changes mean it would no longer use "Royal Dutch" in its name.

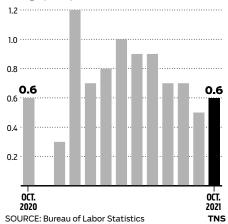
"The simplification will normalize our share structure under the tax and legal jurisdictions of a single country and make us more competitive," Shell Chairman Andrew Mackenzie said in a statement. Shareholders will be asked to vote on the measure at a meeting Dec. 10.

The proposal hints at the complications Shell and other energy giants face as they plan for the day when demand for oil fades and major economies turn to electric-powered cars. CEO Ben van Beurden has made it clear in the past that he intends to have the company remain competitive in a world that gets more of its energy from renewable

Shifting from a company that makes fossil fuels to net-zero emissions businesses will involve decreasing investment in one part of the firm and increasing it in another, said David Elmes, an energy expert at the Warwick Business School.

Producer price index

Index of prices U.S. producers receive for goods and services, percent change from previous month



BUSINESS



A woman walks past a shop in 2016 in Milan, Italy. U.S. shoppers outspent the Chinese in pursuit of the latest fashion trends, according to a new study. ANTONIO CALANNI/AP

US shoppers outspend China to restore the luxury market

By Colleen Barry

Associated Press

 $\operatorname{MILAN}-\operatorname{The}$ personal luxury market of high-end accessories, leather goods and apparel has snapped back to pre-pandemic levels as U.S. shoppers outspent those in China in pursuit of the latest fashion trends, according to a study released last week by the Bain consultancy.

Global consumer spending on personal luxury goods, including the latest sneaker trend or design collaboration, is forecast to spike by 29% this year, to \$325 billion. That's a return to 2019 levels and a turnaround from the gloom of the 2020 pandemic lockdowns that shuttered stores and halted international travel. The recovery is expected to be supported by a strong holiday shopping season, Bain said.

"We are pretty positive, even if the growth rate in particular in China has been slowing down since mid-August. But they are still very strong," said Claudia D'Arpizio, the Bain partner who headed up

a sharp V-shaped recovery for personal goods."

The larger global luxury market, which extends to high-end travel, dining, fine art and furnishings, continues to lag 2019 levels, Bain

Consumers have shifted spending to high-quality furnishings, as many have been spending time at home instead of globe-trotting, while travel restrictions have been especially hard on luxury hotels, fine dining and cruises, all sectors that have yet to fully recover.

Global luxury comprehensively is expected to reach \$1.26 trillion this vear, which is about 10% below 2019 levels. The hardest-hit sector is luxury cruises, with spending down 80% from pre-pandemic levels and reduced even from 2020. Still, strong bookings for 2022 offer "glimmers of hope," D'Arpizio said.

With international tourism still hampered, consumers have started picking up their new fashion trends at home, instead of fueling duty-free sales abroad.

U.S. consumers have the study. "There has been at least temporarily supplanted the Chinese as the biggest spenders, accounting for one-third of all sales this year, compared with about 23% by Chinese shoppers, who were on par with Europeans. That trend is expected to invert by 2025, with nearly half of all spending by Chinese consumers, just over 20% by Americans and 18% by Europeans.

Bain forecasts that tourism will rebound by the end of next year to mid-2023, but D'Arpizio said she expects the pandemic will have established new habits, with luxury shoppers doing a lot of spending at home, not necessarily

The pandemic also has accelerated the shift to online shopping and reinforced the predominance of bigger brands in the marketplace, while encouraging the use of collaborations and digital campaigns to grab attention.

In this way, they have exploited connections within larger conglomerates, like the Gucci and Balenciaga tie-up between the two brands owned by French group Kering.

As stocks soar, short sellers in increasingly short supply

By Stan Choe Associated Press

NEW YORK - The skeptics on Wall Street have gone missing.

As the stock market has surged to records unbowed by recession, pandemic or warnings of a dangerous bubble - activity has dwindled to a nearly two-decade low for the traders known as short sellers, who make their money betting stocks will fall.

This saddens nearly no one. From small-fry investors to members of Congress, critics paint short sellers as merchants of pain. People around the world celebrated early this year when GameStop's stock suddenly hurtled higher, causing billions of dollars in losses for short sellers. Many called it a long-due comeuppance.

But academics and short sellers themselves say they provide an important service suited for just this moment: pushing back against stock prices that may be rising too high, too fast. Despite concerns about the pace of the economic recovery and high inflation, the S&P 500 has set at least 65 all-time highs so far this year.

Some critics say stocks look overly expensive, with some broad measures of value close to historical highs. Fewer short sellers in the market means there's less selling pressure tugging downward on those prices. It can also mean fewer investors looking for overvalued stocks or ferreting out fraud.

"This is the thing that short sellers do, they lean against the wind," said Charles Jones, a finance professor at Columbia University's business school, who has researched short selling. "If you have short sellers who are not afraid to do that, you will not get prices that are too



As the stock market surges to record after record, activity has dwindled to a nearly two-decade low for the traders who make their money betting stocks will fall. RICHARD DREW/AP

high or too low, which is what I think we want when we are allocating capital."

When investors short a stock, they borrow the shares from someone else and sell them. Later, if the stock falls as the short seller expects, they can buy the shares, return them to the lender and pocket the difference in price.

So it's no surprise that short sellers regularly get blamed for driving stock prices artificially low. During the 2008 financial crisis, a few days after the collapse of Lehman Brothers, U.S. regulators temporarily banned the shorting of financial stocks, fearing short sellers would undermine already weak trust in them and trigger a run on the system.

Nearly four years later, though, a study by a New York Fed economist and professors at Notre Dame suggested the ban did little to slow the decline in bank

stocks, which fell anyway. Shorting activity has been trending down since July 2008, a few months before that temporary ban. Then, it

was nearly twice the force it

is now, accounting for 2.61% of all the shares in S&P 500 companies. Just 1.35% of all the shares in S&P 500 companies were sold short in August, according to data compiled by FactSet.

The stock market's mostly relentless rise since 2009 has prompted investors to pull dollars out of short-selling funds, helping to thin the ranks of the contrarians. Why go short when everything is rising?

"You have to look at what is causing the market to reach all-time highs," said Carson Block, founder of Muddy Waters Research and one of the industry's best-known short-sellers. "It is most definitely not that humanity is at our all-time greatest state."

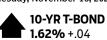
Of course, short sellers can also get it wrong some-

Tesla was a favorite target for years, with short sellers betting founder Elon Musk's visions for the electric-vehicle company were overly grandiose. Tesla recently posted a record quarterly profit and is one of the few companies in the world worth \$1 trillion.

MARKET RUNDOWN

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OP-ED

Republicans must stop defending an ex-president who defends death threats

St. Louis Post-Dispatch Editorial Board

In a newly released interview, former President Donald Trump was asked about the Jan. 6 Capitol rioters who threatened to kill Vice President Mike Pence. Did Trump respond as any responsible adult would, and condemn that threat? Of course not. Repeating his delusional claim that Pence could have overturned the election, Trump defended the rioters' fury at his vice president, calling it "common sense."

With the possibility of another Trump presidential run still in play, every Republican officeholder who hasn't yet disavowed him — which is most of them — should be asked to defend this latest, most grotesque evidence of his unfitness. If they can't (and they can't), then why are they still enabling him?

Throughout his presidency, Trump refused to condemn dangerous acts against America when committed by people he viewed as being personally on his side. In Helsinki, he shocked the world by taking Vladimir Putin's word over American intelligence regarding Russian election meddling. After the deadly violence in Charlottesville, Virginia, Trump declared there were "very fine people" on both sides — even though one side included white supremacists.

When asked during a debate last year to disavow support from the racist Proud Boys, Trump instead told them to "stand back and stand by." Even as the violence raged on Jan. 6, Trump's video message to the rioters included, "We love you."

And now Trump cannot muster even the mildest rebuke for the insurrectionist thugs who prowled the Capitol in his honor, chanting, "Hang Mike Pence!"

In the newly released audio of the recent interview, Jonathan Karl of ABC News aptly notes that the chants were "terrible." Trump responds: "Well, the people were very angry" at Pence for failing to invali-



President Donald Trump speaks to his supporters at the Save America Rally on Jan. 6 near the White House. YURI GRIPAS/ABACA PRESS

date the election (something which, in fact, Pence had no power to do).

"It's common sense, Jon. ... How can you
— if you know a vote is fraudulent, right?
— how can you pass on a fraudulent vote to
Congress? How can you do that?" Trump
added.

Not, How can you threaten the life of the vice president? But rather: How could Pence not have overturned the election for me?

To the inevitable chorus asking why we're still focusing on a former president's obvious psychosis: because poll after poll shows Trump is still the front-runner for the 2024 GOP presidential nomination. He has never garnered majority national support — not in any reputable poll and not in either of his presidential elections — but as 2016 demonstrated, that doesn't mean

he couldn't be seated again as president under America's electoral process.

A president who slanders and undermines that process, incites an attempt to violently overthrow an election, and now suggests that death threats against his own vice president were valid has no business being anywhere near power. Nor does any other politician too cowardly to look into the cameras and say that.

OP-ED

Do Americans really want nation's politics to be normal again?

By Robert A. George
Bloomberg Opinion

After five years of political, economic and social upheaval in America, this month has seen some hints of a return to normalcy. The question is whether the two political parties (and their rabid ideological bases) are willing to settle for the benefits of "normal" politics instead of going for the "transformative" variety — which is tempting but almost always destructive

Consider the events of November so far: Republicans won a gubernatorial race in Virginia by running an issues-based appeal to voters, particularly on education. Democrats passed legislation filled with hundreds of billions of dollars to build and repair physical infrastructure in all 50 states.

Are the parties reverting to form? It's not quite that simple. But they're getting there.

In Virginia, for example, Democrats say that Republicans won by appealing to racism, which is how they view the education issue, especially the attack on "critical race theory." But education was a flashpoint in Virginia long before CRT was on the political radar. The "normal" that Virginia voters wanted to return to was one in which schools are open on a regular basis. That frustration boiled over into other subjects, such as curriculum (which was much more accessible to parents due to remote learning).

It's not unusual for a governor's race to turn on the issue of education, after all—or on property taxes, which was the issue in New Jersey, where Gov. Phil Murphy nearly lost reelection because of it. When he doubled down on a prior statement that New Jersey is "probably not your state" if all you care about is taxes, it nearly proved fatal. But, again, this was a perfectly normal partisan fight, even if the potency of the issue caught Democrats by surprise.

One of the challenges of any "return to normalcy," of course, is a question: Which

normal?

Part of former President Donald Trump's appeal in 2016 was a rejection of the "normal" politics of the previous few decades, which largely failed working-class America. With his anti-establishment, "I alone can fix it" rhetoric, he promised to make Washington functional.

To say that he failed to deliver would be a huge understatement. To take just one example: His repeated declarations of "infrastructure week" became a running joke that President Joe Biden himself poked at. What fewer people remember is that, in April 2019, Trump struck a deal with Democratic leaders Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer to spend \$2 trillion on infrastructure. Weeks later, Trump reneged because congressional committees were investigating him.

Fast forward to this month, when Trump criticized Republicans for voting for an infrastructure bill costing less than half the one he supported just two years ago. Trump acolytes such as Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene called the Republicans who

supported the bill traitors.

This is the dilemma for Biden: Americans desperately want to return to pre-pandemic normal, but not necessarily Trump-era normal, or even pre-Trumpera normal. Biden was elected to return to the "good" parts of normal (schools staying open, for example) without the bad parts (petulant presidential meltdowns).

The test for Democrats is whether they can resist the temptation to transform American society and government through social welfare programs. For Republicans, it's whether they can resist the siren song of Trumpism. The main challenge for both parties, and the key to any return to normal for the country, is simply to show competence at the basics of governing.

Robert A. George writes editorials on education and other policy issues for Bloomberg Opinion.



Traffic flows in both directions on I-91 in Windsor after the scene of a serious crash was cleared to the north in Enfield. Numerous recent crashes highlight the need for more state troopers on state highways, writes Elaine Auger, of Manchester. **FILE**

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Let's put more troopers on state highways

Lately there have been numerous accidents closing our highways. I have experienced problems on I-91 and I-84. My observation is that most of these incidents are caused by drivers speeding and cutting in front of cars with no warning. You can look in your sideview mirror to change a lane, see nothing and suddenly a car will appear out of nowhere doing 20 mph more than the speed limit. I travel 65 mph and have people right on my bumper and often passing and returning into my lane, leaving mere inches for me to apply my brakes. Signaling is nonexistent. Speed and aggressive driving are the causes of these highway closures.

I can't remember when I last saw a state trooper on a major highway unless there had been an accident or a closure for construction. We need a police presence on our highways to make them safer.

Elaine Auger, Manchester

Glasgow summit lacks vision

Representatives attending the Glasgow summit are beginning to talk about plans for controlling carbon emissions over the next 30 years. But a plan requires more than a goal and a commitment to reach that goal. I don't think those at Glasgow have a clear sense of what kind of planet they envision for the future. They are tangled up in the numbers and technologies that might produce those numbers, but they have

yet to articulate a coherent vision of what the world will or should look like in 100 years

The developed countries simply don't have a vision of a planet working in concert to create a world that works for everyone with no one left out. Of course that is an idealized vision and no one wants to go on record as advocating for such a world, but what kind of "plan" will come out of simply forestalling the rise of carbon emissions just so we can do business as usual?

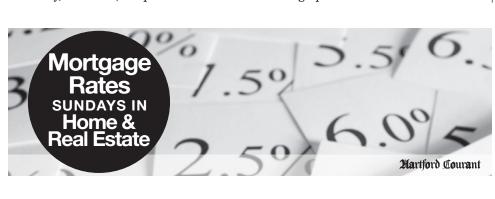
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Biden failures bring optimism to GOP

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LIQUOR PERMIT NOTICE OF APPLICATION

11/10/2021 FERNANDO F AVILA 11/16, 11/23/2021 7084231

Liquor Notices

LIQUOR PERMIT NOTICE OF APPLICATION

This is to give notice that I. AARON R ALTENHEIN, 612 MILLERS WAY SIMSBURY, CT 06070-1994 (860)680-6656. Have filed an application placarded 11/08/2021 with the Department of Consumer Protection for RESTAURANT LIQUOR PERMIT for the sale of alcoholic liquor on the premises at 22 RAYMOND RD WEST HARTFORD CT 06107-2213. The business will be owned by TORO STREET FOODS LLC. Entertainment will consist of: Acoustics (not amplified) Objections must be filed by: 12-20-2021.

11/08/2021 AARON R ALTENHEIN 11/9, 11/16/2021 7081055

LIQUOR PERMIT NOTICE OF APPLICATION

This is to give notice that I, KENNETH T RODRIGUEZ, 63 SUMMIT ST, HARTFORD, CT 06106-3106. Have filed an application CT 06.106-31.06. Have filed an application placarded 10/28/2021 with the Department of Consumer Protection for a CAFE LIQUOR PERMIT for the sale of alcoholic liquor on the premises at 628 ASYLUM AVE, HARTORD, CT 06.105-3836. The business will be owned by SYPS B of LLC. Entertainment will consist of: Acoustics (not amplified) Objections must be filed hv: 12.09-2021 be filed by: 12-09-2021.

10/28/2021 KENNETH T RODRIGUEZ 11/09, 11/16/21 7081249

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LEGAL NOTICE HARTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS **REQUEST FOR BIDS**

State Project No. 064-0313

Bulkeley High School Phase 6 of 9 300 Wethersfield Ave. Hartford, CT 06114

The Hartford School Building Committee (HSBC) through the Construction Manager, Newfield Construction, invites interested and qualified parties to submit a bid based on the requirements contained in the Bid Documents for the Bulkeley High School Project, 300 Wethersfield Ave., Hartford, CT 06114. The work consists of site improvements, concrete and structural steel work. Newfield Construction is seeking qualified bidders for the following Bid Packages:

No.	Bid Package Description	Bid Package Type
6.01	Sitework	(PLA)
6.02	Trucking 1	(SA)
6.03	Trucking 2	(SA)
6.04	Site Water	(SA)
6.05	Site Sanitary	(SA)
6.06	Site Parking, South	(SA)
6.07	Site Concrete	(SA)
6.08	Plantings	(SA)
6.09	Seeding	(SA)
6.10	Fencing	(SA/PLA)
6.11	Concrete	(PLA)
6.12	Central Admin Concrete	(SA)
6.13	Gym Concrete	(SA)
6.14	Concrete Infills	(SA)
6.15	Structural Steel	(PLA)
6.16	Site Misc. Metals	(SA)
6.17	Sidewalks	(SA)

Bid Packages Types:

(SA) Set Aside Package for pre-selected Minority and Women owned firms. No bonds or signature of Project Labor Agreement (PLA) required.

(SA/PLA) Set Aside Package for pre-selected Minority and Women owned firms. No bonds required. Signature of (PLA) is required.

(PLA) Bid Packages. Signature of PLA, bid bond, performance and payment bonds are required. Bid Packages with an asterisk (*) must be pre-qualified by the Department of Administrative Services (DAS).

Bid Documents will be available for viewing on Monday, November 15th at the Minority Construction Council, 151 New Park Ave., Suite 121, Hartford, CT 06106 and at HEDCO (by appointment only) 207 Main St., 4th Floor, Hartford, CT 06106. Bid Documents can be purchased for the non-refundable cost of reproduction at the Joseph Merritt Company, 650 Franklin Ave, Hartford, CT 06114, (860) 296-2500. Bid Documents can be downloaded free of charge from Newfield Construction. Email rickkoczera@newfieldconstruction.com to request access to the Bid Documents.

All pre-bid inquiries must be submitted in writing, via Email, to Newfield Construction on or before Friday, December 3rd. Send inquiries to Domenic Pane, Email (domenicpane@newfieldconstruction.com).

Only emailed bids will be accepted. Bids will be received electronically until 2:00 PM on Thursday, December 9th. All bids shall be emailed to:

Bids@Newfieldconstruction.com DAS.SCGpublicbids@ct.gov

All bids will be opened and read aloud via a public telecast at approximately 2:15 PM on Bid Day.

A pre-bid meeting will be convened via Zoom on Monday, November 22nd at 11:00 AM. Zoom Link to Pre-Bid Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87131346779?pwd=dUIPZk9GSC9CM1JhQWNsVUpFN0FpQT09 Meeting ID: 871 3134 6779

Site inspections are by appointment only. Refer to Supplementary Instruction to Bidders.

Hartford City Code Section 2-661 (City Contractor Preference) is not applicable to this project. Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 11th day of November, 2021.

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LEGAL NOTICE GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Glastonbury Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, at 8:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Riverfront Community Center, 300 Welles Street with the option for Zoom Video Conferencing to consider proposed new sidewalk construction including: Spring Street, Bantle Road, House Street (complete sections linking to multi-use trailhead), Main Street/Route 17 (Overlook Road to Route 17/Main/Buttonball) 17/Main/Buttonball)

Dated at Glastonbury, CT this 15th day of

GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL -Thomas P. Gullotta, Chairman 11/16/21 7086896

STATE OF CONNECTICUT SUPERIOR COURT JUVENILE MATTERS

ORDER OF NOTICE

Notice to Jeffrey Davies father to male child born on 3/10/21 to Mariah C.

born on 3/10/21 to Marian C. or parts unknown
A petition has been filed seeking:
Commitment of minor child(ren) of the above named or vesting of custody and care of said child(ren) of the above named in a lawful, private or public agency or a suitable and worthy person.
The petition, whereby the court's decision can affect your parental rights, if any regard.

can affect your parental rights, if any, regarding minor child(ren) will be heard: 12/21/21 at 2:00 p.m. at 920 Broad St, HTFD CT

06106
Hearing on an Order of Temporary Custody will be heard on 11/19/21 at 2:00 p.m. at 920 Broad St, HTFD CT 06106
Therefore, ORDERED, that notice of the hearing of this petition be given by publishing this Order of Notice once, immediately upon receipt, in the: The Hartford Courant, a newspaper having a circulation in the town/ newspaper having a circulation in the town/city of: Hartford, CT /s/ Hon. Linda Allard

, Signed 11/10/21

Right to Counsel: Upon proof of inability to pay for a lawyer, the court will make sure an attorney is provided to you by the Chief Public Defender. Request for an attorney should be made immediately in person, by mail, or by fax at the court office where your hearing is 11/16/21 7086114

THE METROPOLITAN DISTRIC RESERVOIR 6 WATER TREATMENT FACILITY AERATOR PLATFORM IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT NUMBER 2020B-45 INVITATION TO BID

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The Work shall consist of all labor, equipment, fees, permits, and other related costs necessary for the addition of a structural steel platform to rowide access to the agrasteel platform to provide access to the aera-tors at the Reservoir No. 6 Water Treatment Tacility, along with support equipment and accessories as shown and specified. Bidders are directed to Section 01010 Summary of Work for specific details. The Work shall be located in the City of West Hartford; in the State of Connecticut as shown on the Drawings and specified therein.

Contract documents may be obtained from The Metropolitan District's electronic procurement bidding system. Prospective Bidders must register at the web site; once registered, prospective bidders can download the bid package from the web site at https:// mdc.procureware.com/home. The Contract documents can also be viewed in person at MDC Headquarters located at 555 Main St., Hartford, CT by making an appointment with the District Clerk's Office at 860.278.7850, Ext. 3207

Each Bid shall be submitted in strict accor dance with the Instructions to Bidders and shall be accompanied by a Bid Security in the amount of 10 percent of the Bid. The Bidder shall hold a current DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificate in

General Building Construction from the Department of Administrative Services of the State of Connecticut according to C.G.S§ 4a-100, C.G.S. §4b-101 and C.G.S.§4b-91. Bidders shall submit with their Bids their DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificate DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificate along with a current Update Bid Statement. In addition, any named Subcontractor whose subcontract value is equal to or greater than \$500,000 shall hold a current DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificate in the closest applicable Classification of the work that the Subcontractor will complete in the contract. The bidder must submit with their bid all periorities Subcontractor DAS their bid, all applicable Subcontractor DAS Prequalification certificates. Any Bid submitted without a copy of the DAS Prequalification Certificate and an Update Bid Statement for the bidder and DAS Prequalification Certificates for Subcontractors whose subcontract value is equal to or greater than \$500,000 shall be invalid.

The Successful Bidder and each of its Subcontractors having subcontracts in value equal to or greater than \$500,000 shall maintain and keep current their respective DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificates at all times during the term of the Contract and any warranty period set forth in the Contract Documents.

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held for potential Bidders at 10:00 am, December 1, 2021 at MDC Reservoir 6, 2900 Albany Avenue, West Hartford, CT. Participants will be required to wear a mask when indoors and fill out a Covid-19 questionnaire before the meeting begins. Prospective Bidders must attend this conference. All prospective Bidders are invited to ask questions to the District and/or the District's Agent(s) during this conference.

John S. Mirtle District Clerk 11/16/21 7086739

Other

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 453 Washington Avenue North Haven CT 06473 on 11/30/2021 at 1:00 pm. Yao Wang nuti 3074 boxes, mattress, guitar. Nicole Dinello unit 3147-48 house accessories, gym equipment, boxes. The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com Nov. 16th & 23rd, 2021 7084459

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Denotes name listing only. Please note: not all death notices are in alphabetical order.

OBITUARIES

Aiello, Rose (Pope)



Rose (Pope) Aiello, 96 of Wethersfield, passed away peacefully on Saturday November 13, 2021. She was the devoted wife of the late Amedeo Aiello for 64 years. Rose was born in Hartford on October 31, 1925, one of six children, to Anthony and Catherine (Carchidi) Pope. She graduated from Hartford Public High School in 1944 and

worked at John Hancock Insurance Company until she started her family. Her passion for reading led her to work as Assistant to the Director of Wethersfield Public Library for 25 years. Rose was a deeply religious person and long-time parishioner of Sacred Heart Church in Wethersfield. Her family was the most important thing to her and she enjoyed cooking, especially hosting enormous Thanksgiving feasts and baking her famous pizzelles. Rose was beautiful, intelligent, strong, determined and caring and will be greatly missed by her family and close friends.

She is survived by her daughters and their husbands; Nancy and Dennis Clair of Rocky Hill and Joan and Anthony Colandrea of Winter Garden, FL; five grandchildren: Megan Aldridge, her husband Justin, and their children Hadley, Claire, William and Charles of Hingham, MA; Katherine Colandrea Mikiewicz, her husband Adam, and their daughter Grace of Kensington; Melissa Colandrea and her daughter Chloe of Rocky Hill. She also leaves her two grandsons, Brendan Clair and John Colandrea, both of Rocky Hill. She also leaves behind a sister, Helen "Bunny" Tomiano of Wethersfield as well as many beloved nieces, nephews, and friends. Rose was predeceased by her sisters, Josephine Livingston and Angeline Flanigan and her brothers, Salvatore and Carmelo Pope.

We would like to extend our gratitude and thanks to the wonderful, caring staff at the Atrium of Rocky Hill for the wonderful care Rose received. She loved them all. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN.

Friends may call on Thursday, November 18, 2021 from 5:00-7:00 PM at the Farley-Sullivan Funeral Home, 34 Beaver Road, Wethersfield, CT. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating Rose's life will be held on Friday, November 19, 2021 at 10:00 AM in Holy Trinity Church, Capital Avenue, Hartford, Cl. Buriai Will Tollow in Village Cemetery, 1 Marsh Street Wethersfield. To extend condolences, please visit Farleysullivan.com.

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Campbell, Martha (Mallory)



(Marcy) Mallory Martha Campbell passed away peacefully on October 18, 2021 surrounded by her three children, at her home of 59 years, in Canton Connecticut. She was 85.

Marcy was born in Columbus Ohio to Walter Edwin and Margaret Wilcox Mallory and attended Denison University in Granville Ohio. She met the love of her life, John (Jack) Campbell, at Connecticut

General Life Insurance Company. They were soon married and moved to Canton where they built their family home. They raised three children, Linda, John, and Amanda. Always one to stay busy and be of service, Marcy worked at the Canton High School Library, becoming a mentor to many teens during the 1970's, as well as tutoring, charitable work, and visiting the elderly.

Marcy was an executive at Merrill Lynch and Vice President of Westledge Realty. She was a dynamic leader and thrived on helping others succeed.

Marcy was a talented and creative crafts person. She ran a knit shop out of her home, did ceramics, was part of a wreath making club, and made and sold jewelry through her online company "Thistle Dew". She loved antiques, and was fascinated by her town's history, downtown Collinsville in particular. She was the president of the Canton Historical Museum, helped organize Sam Collins Day, and was an advocate for the preservation of the original Collins Company factory buildings.

A consummate sportswoman, Marcy enjoyed tennis golf, and won awards in college for her ferocious pingpong playing. On Sundays, Marcy and Jack purchased two copies of The New York Times and had a spirited competition to see who could finish the crossword puzzle first. She was a passionate gardener, a great cook and pie maker, and hosted years of Thanksgiving and Christmas celebrations. Her home in Canton was the center for extended family, and Marcy loved a

house full of noise and good cheer. Marcy is survived by her three children, Linda, John, and Amanda, her four grandchildren, Sean, Sophia, Olivia, and Maria, and her brother Ed Mallory.

A Celebration of Life will be announced in the coming months. Please contact the family at mcampbellcelebrationoflife@gmail.com for information

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OBITUARIES

Calhoun, Anne



Anne Marie (Beauchemin) Calhoun, 81, of Palmetto, FL, beloved wife of the late Robert "Bob" Calhoun, passed away on Thursday, November 11, 2021. Born in Hartford, she was the daughter of the late Emile and Helen Beauchemin, had lived in Manchester most of her life before retiring to Palmetto, FL in 2001.

She was a longtime communicant of St. James Church, Manchester and was a member of their Mothers Circle. Anne Marie was the co-owner of Plum Gully Stained Glass and retired from the business office at Manchester Memorial Hospital after 18 years.

Anne Marie is survived by her daughter Gayle Connolly and her husband Mark of Palmetto, FL; and her three grandchildren Amanda Connolly of Simi Valley, CA, Sarah Connolly of Palmetto, FL, and Patrick Connolly, his girlfriend Samantha and her son Noah, all of Ellington; her siblings Michael Beauchemin and his wife Patricia of Noahle Consider and Connolly and Consider Research of Markharach North Carolina, and Susan Perron of Marlborough. She is also survived by her brother-in-law Bill Calhoun and his wife Simone of St. Petersburg, FL; sisters-in-law; and a host of niece and nephews. In addition to her loving husband Bob, she was predeceased by her twin brothers Robert Beauchemin and Richard Beauchemin. Family and friends may call on the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., Manchester, CT, on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, November 18, at 10:00 a.m. at St. James Parish, 896 Main Street, Manchester followed by burial at St. James Company Managerial contributions may be made to St. Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Frances Cabrini Church, 12001 69th St. East, Parrish, FL 34219. For online condolences, please visit www. tierneyfuneralhome.com.



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Cinq Mars, Gerard E



Gerard "Gerry" Edward Cinq Mars, 92, passed away on Sunday, November 7, 2021. Gerry was born on January 14, 1929 to Emelia Anne (Leboeuf) of Fortierville, Canada and Napoleon Joseph Cinq Mars of Gentilly, Canada. His family lived in West Springfield where Gerry attended public schools. During the Korean War, Gerry

served his country as a member of the US Army's 2nd Armored Division stationed in Germany in 1951 and 1952. Following an honorable discharge, he worked in a Springfield auto body shop, inspiring a lifelong love of cars.

After his military service, Gerry used the GI Bill to attend American International College (AIC) in Springfield, then earned his Master's Degree in Education from State Teachers College in Boston.

State Teachers College in Boston.
While at AIC, Gerry met the love of his life Annette Marie Christie. They were married on September 7, 1957 in Springfield. They lived in Boston while Annette completed her nursing degree and Gerry finished graduate school. In 1959 they moved to Killingly to raise their young family. Gerry and Annette enjoyed a beautiful life together for 26 years until her death in 1983. Gerry began teaching in the newly built Harvard H. Ellis Technical School in the fall of 1959. Mr. Cinq Mars, as he was known by his students, taught History, Civics, English, and Economics for 30 years. He served as department head, senior class advisor, and faculty coordinator for the yearbook and student government. He cared about the school community and loved working with students. with students.

Gerry was an active participant in the towns of Killingly and Brooklyn. He served on a commission to build afmittee to renovate Brooklyn Middle School. For more than 20 years (18 years as Chairman), he served on Killingly's Water Pollution Control Authority. He helped secure more than \$30 million in State and Federal funding to upgrade aging sanitation lines and facilities, ensuring cleaner water in the Quinebaug River.

Gerry enjoyed traveling, woodworking, home renovations, breakfast with friends, and long conversations with his siblings, children, grandchildren, and friends, especially about politics and current events. He was a car enthusiast who followed the latest models and enjoyed visiting auto museums to view the classics. Gerry was a long-time supporter of St. James Catholic Church and Friends of Assisi Food Pantry.

In the late 90's, Gerry was fortunate to meet Faye P. Clapp. They enjoyed each other's company for 15

wonderful years.

Gerry loved his family and will be dearly missed. He is survived by his children Laura Whittier, Michele Cinq Mars (John), Sarah Gretzky (James), and Peter Cinq Mars (Karen), and his grandchildren Kyle and Zoe Neil, Madison (Cameron) and Lexington Gretzky, Alexander (Sarah) and Gabrielle Cinq Mars, and his cherished siblings Theresa and Michael.

The public is welcome to join calling hours on Friday, November 19, 2021 at the Gilman Funeral Home, 104 Church Street in Putnam, CT from 3:30PM to 6:00PM. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 20, 2021 at St. James Catholic Church, 12 Franklin Street, Danielson, CT at 10:00AM. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to Friends of Assisi Food Pantry, 77 Water Street, Danielson, CT 06239. To send condolences, visit www.gilmanandvalade.com

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Druzolowski, Lenore (Lorello)

Lenore (Lorello) Druzolowski, 96, wife of the late Charles Druzolowski, of East Hartford, passed away peacefully at home on Monday, November 15, 2021. Lenore was born to the late Joseph and Antonia (Mariano) Lorello on April 18, 1925 in Norwich. After graduating from Norwich Free Academy High School, Lenore went on to become a Librarian at Wickham Library. She married Charles, and had 2 children. She cherished her family and loved to spend time with them and close friends Lenore was a devout Catholic and was a parishioner of Saint Isaac Jogues Church for many years.

Lenore is survived by her son, Joseph and Anne Druzolowski of South Windsor, her grandchildren, Nicholas C. Druzolowski of South Windsor, Meghan L. (Druzolowski) Smith and her husband, Jabar of Atlanta, GA and a great-granddaughter, Gianna Smith. She is also survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Anthony and Joan Lorello of Vernon and many special nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her daughter, Antonia Druzolowski Grunder. The family would like to give a special thanks to the Nutmeg Home Assistance of Coventry, especially, Wiesia Biskup, Irena Evans and Ana Wilbik, as well as the staff of Compassus Hospice. Memorial donations may be made in Lenore's name to: Compassus Hospice, 612 Wheelers Farms Rd., Suite 103, Milford, CT 06461.

Funeral services and burial will be private. For further information or to leave a condolence, please visit FarleySullivan.com

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Gobar, Mary Ann



Mary Ann Gobar was a beloved wife, mother, and grandmother during her incredible 93 years of life. She passed away peacefully on Saturday, November 13, 2021, surrounded by those who loved her. A graduate of New Britain High School, Mary spent most of her life in central Connecticut, but began her career support-

ing U.S. Army members and their families at Camp Pickett in Virginia. Her empathy for and desire to support others was shown throughout her life, working as lunch aid for Holmes School in New Britain, followed by over two decades at Sage-Allen at the West Farms Mall as well as with her niece Donna at the West Farms Mall as well as with her niece Donna at Medical Claims Unlimited. Her proudest accomplishment, however, is the beautiful family that she and her husband Fran built together. Their love story, which began after a chance meeting at a roller-skating rink, spanned over 73 years and included an innumerable number of special memories and shared experiences. Mary's unwavering love of and devotion to her family was evident in the immense joy that they filled her with. Her warm spirit and zest for life can be seen in each and every one of them and those who knew and loved her will miss the affection she brought to each of their lives. In addition to her husband Fran, Mary leaves behind her daughter Debbie Branigan, son John Gobar and his wife Karen, grandson JB Branigan and his wife Sarah, granddaughter Nicole Colon and her husband Mark, and great-grand children Aria, Austin and Emerlee. She also leaves a large extended family. Mary was predeceased by her sisters Lee, Dora and her brother Fred, who was her steadfast companion before brother Fred, who was her steadfast companion before his death and held a particularly special place in her heart. The family wants to extend special thanks to all those who cared for Mary, especially Maria Kulig, who she came to love dearly. Funeral services will be held Saturday (Nov. 20, 2021) with a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM at St. Paul's Church 485 Alling St. Kensington. Burial will be at the convenience of the family. Visitation will be Saturday from 8:30 to 9:30 AM at the Farrell Funeral Home 110 Franklin Sq. New Britain. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Salvation Army, 78 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051. To send a condolence, please visit www. FarrellFuneralHome.com.

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Horner, Donald W.



Donald W. Horner, 90, of Enfield, beloved husband of Jacqueline (St. Germain) Horner for 65 years, entered into eternal peace Friday, November 12, 2021 at St. Francis Hospital. Born to Francis E. and Evelyn (Bishop) Horner, and raised in the Springfield MA area, Donald graduated from Springfield Technical High School and later attended Northeastern

University. He served his country honorably and was a US Navy Korean War Veteran. Don was employed by Thiokol in Utah, NCR, in Ohio and Hartford, CT ,and later retired from Scan Optics, East Hartford, CT. In his free time he enjoyed golf, photography, woodworking and creating stained glassworks. Other interests included many travels by car, bus, train, ship and plane, and family

Besides his wife Jacqueline, Don is survived by two daughters, Elaine Smith of Enfield and her partner Edward Weigen, and Rosemary Chabot of Worcester. He was predeceased by a son Donald Joseph Horner, his brother Francis E. Horner, and sister Dorothy Frenette. Don is also survived by his grandchildren Jillian Diette and her husband Philip, David his wife Tessa Rickart, Ashley and Danielle Chabot, and he also leaves a great grandson Parker Diette. In addition, he is survived by a sister Marjorie Hughes and her husband Roger of Corinne ME, and numerous nieces

Visitation hours will be held at Leete-Stevens Enfield Chapels, 61 South Rd., Enfield, from 12 - 2 pm on Friday November 19th, followed by a funeral service. Burial will be private. Donations in Donald's memory may be made to Alzheimer's Assn., CT Chapter, 200 Executive Blvd S #4b, Southington, CT 06489. To leave online condolences please visit www.leetestevens.com

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Work, Julia P (Powell)



Julia Powell Work, in Mystic, StoneRidge, Connecticut, died peacefully on October 25, 2021, after a brief battle with cancer. She was 94 years young and was surrounded by family and friends. Julia was born in New York, New York, on December 3, 1926. She was one of two daughters of Stephen A. Powell and Amy Copeland

Powell of New York City and Essex, New York.

Julia was married in 1951 to Thomas A. Norton (dec) of Bedford, New York, with whom she had two children, Stephen and Jennie. In 1958, Julia married John C. Work (dec) of Essex, Connecticut, where they lived for over 20 years. She later resided at various times in Florida, Maine, and Rhode Island, and finally moved back to Connecticut for her final years.

Julia was a lover of opera, fine art, and antiques. She also enjoyed knitting, crossword and jigsaw puzzles, and home decorating. She often knitted custom pieces of clothing for family and friends. She was always intensely health-conscious and often advised friends about nutritional options. She was a lifetime lover of cats and was never without one by her side. She will be remembered as a devoted friend to everyone she knew.

Julia is survived by her son, Stephen Norton of Wakefield, Massachusetts, as well as many nieces, nephews, and grandnieces and grandnephews. She was predeceased by her daughter, Jennie Howes Norton, and her sister, Emily Powell Stanford.

A private remembrance gathering will be held at Riverview Cemetery in Essex, Connecticut, at a time still to be decided. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to a Veterans organization, such as the RI Veterans' Home, in Bristol, Rhode Island, or to your local ASPCA in her name.

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Lyons, Mary "Bartkowiak"



Mary Bartkowiak Lyons passed away Saturday, November 13, 2021 at home with her beloved 2021 at home with her beloved husband, Jim and devoted daughter, Katie by her side. She was born on Tuesday, September 12, 1939 in Dunkirk, NY to Helen {Applegate} and Raymond Bartkowiak. After graduating from Cardinal Mindszenty High School and D'Youville College, she taught Language Arts and worked for the Rochester Girl Scout Council, initially as Field Director and later Program

D'Youville Collège, she taught Language Arts and worked for the Rochester Girl Scout Council, initially as Field Director and later Program Director. After marrying in August 1969, she and Jim moved to Glastonbury, CT where she joined the staff of the CT Valley Girl Scout Council, until they adopted their daughter. She stayed at home doing daycare and substitute teaching. She especially loved upper level classes and vocational education. In 1989 she discovered the Pampered Chef and became an Independent Consultant; she did this for 32 years, retiring in November 2021 as an Executive Director having sold over \$1,000,000 in kitchen tools. This helped fund her love of gardening. She enjoyed local garden clubs, Federated Garden Club activities and became an expert floral arranger and Accredited Flower Show Judge. In addition to her numerous flower gardens she developed a passion for Hostas, collecting over 200 varieties and generously shared her plants. She enjoyed watching UCONN women's basketball, the Buffalo Bills, was a voracious reader, skilled knitter, an avid bird watcher and amazingly creative. In the early years she and Jim enjoyed spending fall weekends in Misquamicut, RI. Her family loved spending over 35 years on Sanibel Island in Florida, shelling, walking to the lighthouse and spending many hours with old friends. She and Jim loved traveling the world together with the Pampered Chef and friends, particularly enjoying the Greek Isles and Costa Rica. and Costa Rica.

and Costa Rica.

In addition to Jim and Katie, she leaves behind her step-daughter Stephanie Stoloski, her husband Carl and granddaughters, Becky and Carla of Appleton, NY; her brother John and his wife Annette of Lancaster, PA; her sister Jane Kwieciak of Orchard Park, NY; her sister Christine Sanderson of Las Vegas, NV; brother-in-law David Lyons and his wife Susan of Manchester, CT and many sweet nieces and nephews many sweet nieces and nephews.

Mary requests any donations be made to your favorite charity and if you send flowers, please omit lilies as they remind her of funerals! From Mary, "Thank you everyone for a wonderful life".

The family wishes to thank the doctors and nurses at the Melanoma Clinic at Yale {especially her nurse Anja}, the nurses and aides from Hartford Healthcare Hospice and the outpouring of love for Mary, as demonstrated by the cards and flowers from her friends over the past

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday Nov. 19 at 11am at Ss Isidore and Maria Parish in St. Augustine Church, 55 Hopewell Rd., South Glastonbury. Friends may call at the Mulryan Funeral Home, 725 Hebron Ave., Glastonbury on Thursday Nov. 18 from 3:00 to 5:00pm. For online condolences please visit www.mulryanfh.com

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Mehmel, Monica (King)



Monica "Renee" (King) Mehmel, 94, of West Hartford, Mehmel, 94, of West Hartford, passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, November 13, 2021. Monica was born in Dublin, Ireland, and lived in a variety of places: London, England; Montreal, Canada; Jensen Beach, Florida; and West Hartford Connecticut Monica's passion for travel

and curiosity for exploring new places was a guiding force in her life. She worked for Air Canada and then went on to a career as a travel agent, eventually opening her own travel agency. Her world travels lead her far and wide, such as China and Spain, but her favorite destination of all was Egypt. She is predeceased by her husband, Arthur, with whom she enjoyed the beach, visiting bed and breakfasts, and trips to Maine—especially for lobster. Monica was an avid backyard bird watcher, indoor plant enthusiast, and expert knitter and crocheter who made and donated numerous blankets and scarves to churches and charities. A fan of elegance, Monica enjoyed fine dining and had a vast knowledge of etiquette. She was a positive, forward-looking person—traits that endured even as she underwent treatment for pancreatic cancer. A devout Catholic, Monica attended mass throughout her life and was grateful to be able to attend daily services virtually. Predeceased by her sister Carmel, she is survived by her loving family, including her sister Norma; Norma's children, Birgitta, Blaine, Brendan, and Barclay, Carmel's children, Siobhan, Eamonn, and Liam; as well as many grandnieces and grandnephews. A mass of Christian burial will be held on Thursday, November 18th, at 11:00 am at Saint Peter Claver Church, 47 Pleasant St., West Hartford. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Office of Radio & Television, which provided Monica with daily Catholic mass services, at 15 Peach Orchard Road, Prospect, CT 06712-1052 (online: ortv.org). Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

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Wallace, Jr., Lenzy Roman



Dr. Lenzy Roman Wallace, Jr., 94, peacefully passed away in Cornelius, North Carolina on November 10, 2021 surrounded by loved ones. Lenzy was born on March 10, 1927 in Hartford, Connecticut. As an African American, Lenzy overcame numerous obstacles to achieve three successful careers as a music educator, and educational

administrator and in corporate education while achieving a doctoral degree from the University of Connecticut. He was a decorated World War II veterán who served in He was a decorated World War II veteran who served in the Navy. A skilled guitarist, Lenzy loved music. He was passionate about his life's mission, which was to serve, inspire and help others be successful. He was the consummate teacher and mentor, who had a boundless love for his family. While living most of his life in Connecticut, he relocated to Cornelius, North Carolina, in 2005. Lenzy described himself as an "active retiree" who stayed engaged with community through numerous activities, and fitness activities including achieving a black belt in Taekwondo at the age of 61. His favorite a black belt in Taekwondo at the age of 61. His favorite form of keeping fit, however, was walking one of his beloved boxers. Lenzy will be missed by his wife, Adrianne Baughns Wallace, his two daughters, two cases and shall represent and sounders of their species. sons and their spouses; and countless other family members, friends, and students across the country who he inspired. To see the full obituary for Lenzy or leave online condolences, please visit www.KepnerFH.

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Oliver, Barbara



Barbara Oliver, 77 of Bolton, CT passed away on Friday, November 12, 2021. Barbara was born in Manchester, CT, daughter of the late Harold F. Leonard and Katherine M. Dietz. Barbara enjoyed trips to Cape Cod, Maine and New Hampshire. She loved going to church and when she was unable to go, she did church

on TV. Family gatherings at home during the holidays and summer cookouts were always present at the Oliver's residence. Country/ Western music was a big part of her life. One of her memorable trips was the trip to the Grand Ole Opry. Barbara was an avid collector of Holiday Barbie dolls & snow babies. She is survived by her devoted husband of 56 years Kenneth M. Oliver. Two daughters, Diane M. snow bables. She is survived by her devoted husband of 56 years Kenneth M. Oliver. Two daughters, Diane M. Oliver of Bolton, CT; Laura A. Oliver of Manchester, CT and her companion Scott Fraleigh of Newington, CT. Three sisters, Beverly Lovell and her husband Daniel of Lehigh Acres, FL; Nancy Leonard-Gardiner and her husband Ronald of East Hartford, CT; Katherine Mrazik & her husband Alan of Southbridge, MA. Three grand-children; Anthony Chevrette Jr & his fiancée Leah Roach of Long Beach, CA; Alyssa Chevrette of Bolton CT; and Chandler Oliver & his companion Sarah Tucker of Bolton CT. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Alzheimer's Dementia http://://alz.org/ct. Calling Hours will be held on Thursday, November 18, 2021, from 5:00pm to 7:00 pm at the Holmes-Watkins Funeral Home, 400 Main St., Manchester, CT 06040. A Funeral Service will be held on Friday, November 19, 2021, at 10:00 am at the funeral home, with burial to follow in St. James Cemetery, Broad Street, Manchester. To view the funeral service or to leave a memory or message of condolence please visit www.holmeswatkins.com kins.com

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Smith, Brian W.



Brian William Smith, 65, of Manchester, loving husband of 41 years of Cheryl (King) Smith, peacefully passed away surrounded by his caring family on Thursday, November 11, 2021 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, MA. Born in Hartford on April 27, 1956, a son of the late Richard F. and Elizabeth "Betty" (Tupper) Smith, Sr., he had been a resi-

son of the late Richard F. and Elizabeth "Betty" (Tupper) Smith, Sr., he had been a resident of Manchester for the past 35 years. Brian was a graduate of East Hartford High School, class of 1975. During his professional career, he was employed for many years by Loctite in Rocky Hill, Walter Surface Technologies in Windsor, and most recently by Langlais Group, Inc. in South Windsor. A natural outdoorsman, Brian liked hunting and fishing. He was an avid golfer who was a longtime member of the Manchester Country Club. He enjoyed following auto racing at both the local and national circuit, and the UConn men and women's basketball teams. He also liked playing cribbage and cards, especially the game of "set back" where he was often the winner. Most of all, Brian was a proud husband and father who cherished the time he spent with his wife and daughters on summer vacations at Cape Cod, playing golf, and traveling. Along with his devoted wife Cheryl, Brian is survived by two loving daughters, Jordan Fox and her husband, Adam, of Watertown, MA, and Morgan Smith of Manchester; two brothers, Richard F. Smith, Jr. and his wife, Barbara, of Manchester, James P. Smith of Middletown; two sisters, Sharon Wood of Waterford, Sandra T. Mathiau and her husband, Thomas, of East Hartford; several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends. Besides his parents, he was

Hartford; several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by a brother, Douglas J. Smith of Vermont. A memorial service celebrating Brian's life will be Thursday (November 18, 2021) at 11 am at the D'Esopo East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter Street, East Hartford. Private burial will be held at the convenience of the family. Brian's family will receive relatives and friends on Wednesday (November 17, 2021) from 4 7 pm at the funeral home chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Brian's name may be made to the Brigham and Women's Hospital, Development Office, Lung Transplant Center, 116 Huntington Avenue, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02116. For on-line expressions of sympathy to the family, please visit www.desopoeh.



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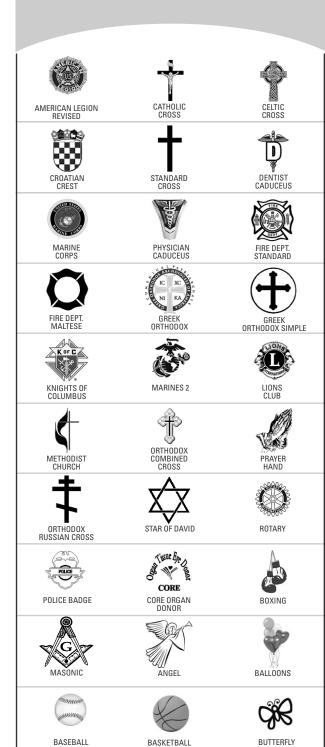
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Positivity rate continues to climb

Weekly metrics highest since late September; hospital cases up, with majority unvaccinated

By Eliza Fawcett Hartford Courant

Connecticut's weekly COVID-19 positivity rate and number of hospitalizations increased over the weekend, further indication that the state could be approaching an end-of-year spike in cases.

Recently, COVID-19 metrics have begun to rise in Connecticut and in the Northeast more broadly, pointing toward a coldweather surge of the virus which

experts say warrants caution around the holidays.

Cases and positivity rate: Connecticut reported 2,179 new COVID-19 cases out of 75,526 tests administered since Friday, for a daily positivity rate of 2.89%. The state's weekly positivity rate now stands at 2.82%, the highest it has been since Sept. 21.

As of Monday, Litchfield, New London and Windham counties were recording "high" levels of COVID-19 transmission as defined by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Hartford, New Haven and Tolland counties had "substantial" levels of transmission, while Fairfield had only "moderate" transmission, meaning that residents there are not advised to wear masks indoors.

Hospitalizations: Connecticut reported 238 patients hospitalized with COVID-19 on Monday, an increase of 13 individuals since Friday.

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Cameron West, 9, receives a COVID-19 vaccination

Englewood Health in Englewood, New Jersey, on Nov. 8. SETH WENIG/AP

Safety urged in hunting zones

DEEP: As firearms deer season begins, be mindful outdoors

By Seamus McAvoy Hartford Courant

Connecticut's fall firearms deer hunting season begins Wednesday, making it legal for

Wednesday, making it legal for permit holders to hunt deer on state land with qualifying shotguns or private land with qualifying shotguns or rifles. Officials with the Connecticut

Officials with the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection remind hunters and others seeking outdoor recreation to be mindful of safe practices across the state's 13 deer hunting management zones.

"It is especially important for all outdoor users to respect the rights of others and be aware of all activities that may be occurring outdoors," said Jenny Dickson, director of the department's wildlife division.

"Connecticut hunters have an excellent safety record, and awareness on the part of all outdoor users can help in our efforts to keep hunting safe for everyone," Dickson said.

What's the current deer population? Connecticut's total deer herd has hovered around 101,000 over the last three years, according to estimates by the state.

Is deer overpopulation still an

issue? Not so much anymore.
According to state aerial surveys, deer population peaked around 160,000 in the early 2000s. That number has fallen since 2011, the year the state switched to population reconstruction models to estimate the deer herd.

The task of accurately measuring deer populations is fraught with complications, but hunters qualitatively report stable population levels as well.

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President Joe Biden speaks Monday during a bill-signing ceremony on the South Lawn of the White House in Washington, D.C. SUSAN WALSH/AP

'We're on our way'

Lamont joins the crowd for signing of \$1 trillion infrastructure bill

By Daniela Altimari Hartford Courant

With governors, mayors and members of Congress from both parties looking on, President Biden on Monday signed the \$1 trillion infrastructure bill into law, calling it a transformative legislation that will modernize the transportation system, expand access to high-speed internet and address the affects of a changing climate.

"Throughout our history, we've

emerged through crises by investing in ourselves," Biden told the more than 800 dignitaries gathered on the South Lawn of the White House. "Now we're emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic and we'll build an economy for the 21st century."

Biden said he had a message to the American people: "America's moving again, and your life's going to change for the better."

Gov. Ned Lamont and members of the state's Congressional delegation were part of the large

crowd at the bill-signing cere-

"Thanks to bipartisanship between Congress and @POTUS, CT roads, bridges, and railways will become stronger and safer. The bottlenecks and slowdowns will get faster. Folks without internet will have greater access. All will take time and effort, but we're on our way!" Lamont, a Democrat, tweeted Monday

An early and unwavering Biden backer, Lamont said that the infrastructure spending plan will bring improvements to the state's highways, bridges, rail lines, broadband networks and other areas critical for economic development.

Other governors attending the signing included Tom Wolf of Pennsylvania, Janet Mills of Maine, Kate Brown of Oregon and John Bel Edwards of Louisiana.

"Governors, stand up," Biden said during his speech. "Red states, blue states — you all

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"Throughout our history, we've emerged through crises by investing in ourselves. Now we're emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic and we'll build an economy for the 21st century."

— President Joe Biden, before signing the \$1.2 trillion bipartisan infrastructure bill into law

Rare fall tornadoes confirmed

4 touched down across Connecticut during storms on Saturday

By Daniela Altimari and Christine Dempsey Hartford Courant

The National Weather Service said four rare November tornadoes touched down in Connecticut on Saturday.

After inspecting debris and wind damage, investigators from the weather service confirmed weak tornadoes hit Cheshire, Stonington, Plainfield and Branford. No injuries were reported.

Late autumn tornadoes are extremely rare in southern New England; according to the weather service, none have been recorded in Connecticut or Rhode Island

"Tornado time for southern New England is usually late May to early June. That's when most



This house in Levittown, New York, was damaged by toppled trees during Saturday's storms, the National Weather Service says. **COURTESY**

of our tornadoes occur," said Rob Megnia, a meteorologist at the National Weather Service. New England occasionally sees tornadoes in late summer and early fall, when the rotating systems are associated with tropical storms.

A weather system that blew in Saturday afternoon spawned thunderstorms, damaging winds and locally heavy downpours across the state.

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Slaying suspect will not face adult court

Manchester teen charged with murder in death of 13-year-old girl found in apartment basement

By Jesse Leavenworth Hartford Courant

MANCHESTER — The case of a teenage boy charged with the sexual assault and strangulation killing of a 13-year-old Manchester girl cannot be transferred to adult court under Connecticut law.

The suspect in the death of Zaniya Wright is now 14 and state law says transfers to the regular criminal docket apply only to suspects accused of crimes committed after they turn age 15. Also, if convicted in the juvenile justice system, jail time cannot exceed 2 ½ years. Although Manchester police have released the suspect's name, The Courant is not identifying him.

Wright, a seventh grader at the local middle school, was found dead on June 18 in an apartment building basement. An autopsy showed she died of neck compression. Police recently arrested a 14-year-old boy on charges of felony murder, first-degree strangulation, first-degree sexual assault and risk of injury to a minor. Juvenile court operates under strict rules of confidentiality, so the date of the suspect's first court appearance was not available.

The law on transfers to adult court is part of a longstanding trend in the nation to raise the age of criminal culpability, said Mike Lawlor, an associate professor of

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Fierce, pre-dawn fire displaces nine in East Hartford

By Christine Dempsey Hartford Courant

the fire chief said.

Officials are investigating an early-morning, three-alarm fire Monday in East Hartford that destroyed an apartment and left nine people without a place to stay,

No one was injured, "amazingly enough," Chief John Oates said.

The intense flames completely destroyed one of four apartments at 87 Woodlawn Circle in Mayberry Village. No one was in the burning apartment when firefighters arrived, but people in other units had to be helped out, Oates said.

"It was a well-advanced fire" and it was burning on both floors of the two-story apartment, he said. "That unit had fire, end-to-end."

In addition to fighting the fierce flames, firefighters had to be careful to avoid a downed electrical line in the driveway, Oates said. The fire was reported at 12:15 a.m., and firefighters didn't clear the scene until around 3:30 a.m.

The apartment that was destroyed is on one end of the building, and the one next to it also has fire damage, he said. The other two apartments have smoke and heat damage, and it might be a while before even their residents can

The fire department's Emergency Management division worked with the American Red Cross to find temporary housing for the residents.

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A three-alarm fire in East Hartford early Monday displaced nine people. No one was injured, authorities reported. PATRICK DOOLEY/COURTESY

Virus

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Hospital officials say the vast majority of those hospitalized with serious COVID-19 symptoms are unvaccinated.

Deaths: Connecticut reports additional COVID-19 deaths once a week, on Thursdays. The state reported 33 COVID-19 deaths last week, bringing its total during the pandemic to 8,809.

The United States has now recorded 763,619 deaths related to COVID-19, according to the Johns Hopkins Coronavirus Resource

Vaccinations: As of Monday, 81.6% of all Connecticut residents and 92.6% of those 12 and older had received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose, while 71.4% of all residents and 82% of those 12 and older were fully vaccinated, according to the CDC. Additionally, 17.3% of fully vaccinated Connecticut residents have received a booster dose.

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criminal justice at the University of New Haven. The question is, at what point should a juvenile face adult criminal consequences, Lawlor said.

The U.S. Supreme Court in 2012 ruled that mandatory life sentence for killers who were 17 and younger at the time of the crime is a form of cruel and unusual punishment. However, the more conservative court this year found that judges need not determine that juvenile offenders are beyond hope of rehabilitation before sentencing them to life behind bars.

The New York Times reported that the decision, concerning a teenager who killed his grandfather, appeared to signal the end

of a trend that had limited severe punishments for under-18 criminals.

Testifying as a defense witness recently in the case of a 15-yearold accused in the torture, rape and killing of an 18-year-old Michigan woman, a professor of psychology, psychiatry, and pediatrics at the University of Michigan said the scientific consensus is that the adolescent brain differs from the

Adolescence, with respect to brain development, does not end until a person reaches their mid-20s, Prof Daniel Keating said, according to an October report by the Saginaw and Bay City News. An adolescent is more prone than an adult to engage in risky behavior and even more so in the presence of a peer, Keating said. Similarly, an adolescent is less likely to stop risky behavior once it has begun, he added.

In determining punishments for juveniles, Connecticut law says the court must consider: The child's age and intellectual, cognitive and emotional development; the seriousness of the offense, including any aggravating or mitigating factors; the impact of the offense on any victim; and the child's history of participation in and engagement with programming and service interventions, among other factors.

The maximum punishment for a person age 14 or younger is 30 months of probation supervision with or without residential placement, minus any time spent in pretrial detention. If it is determined through the juvenile court process that a child has a mental health diagnosis, he or she can be sent for an indefinite period to the state's psychiatric center for children in Middletown. A child could also be held in the facility if he or she is deemed not competent to understand the court process.

Juveniles who commit murder and other serious violent crimes, Lawlor said, often have serious mental health problems and can remain in secure facilities for years, he said. The main questions, Lawlor said, are whether the child has a diagnosed mental illness and whether he or she is a risk to him or herself and others. If the answers are yes, the child could be held indefinitely pending periodic reviews.

The most recent similar case involving a juvenile suspect was the stabbing death of 12-year-old Brigid Curtin by her twin brother in December 2018 in West Hartford. The boy also stabbed and seriously injured his mother, authorities have

The boy, who police did not name, was charged with murder with special circumstances and first-degree assault. Court officials have said that once his juvenile sentence is completed, the state could ask a judge to commit him.

One state juvenile official said of the West Hartford case that "coming up with an appropriate response to a young child charged with a serious crime such as murder presents a difficult challenge for the court because it is uncommon and because the court has to determine the needs of the child and at the same time balance the need to protect public safety."

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contacted me, you all said you were for this. You all stepped up and more than 375 mayors, Democrats and Republicans from every state and District of Columbia, wrote me asking to get this done."

The infrastructure bill will bring more than \$5 billion in new federal spending to Connecticut, with the chance for more assistance to make major improvements, such as the redesign of the aging I-91 and I-84 interchange in Hartford. A larger \$1.75 trillion spending package is still awaiting Congressional action.

Rep. Jim Himes, a Democrat from Connecticut's 4th District, said he was proud to be at the ceremony. Earlier on Monday, he tweeted a selfie aboard a train, which he called his "favorite piece of infrastructure."

"Democrats and Republicans have come together today to fulfill our promise for historic infrastructure investment in America," Himes said. "Today means a brighter future as we repair, rebuild, and improve our rail, roads, bridges, ports, pipes, and broadband all while creating good-paying, union jobs."

The infrastructure bill. crafted in the Senate with Republican and Democratic support, was backed by 13 Republicans in the House.

A report from Associated Press is included in this story.



Fall firearms deer hunting season begins Wednesday, making it legal for permit holders to hunt deer on state land with qualifying shotguns. KEITH SRAKOCIC/AP

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According to a survey of Connecticut's deer hunters, the deer population has stayed relatively stable across all hunting zones between 2018 and 2020.

The number of deer killed by vehicles in road collisions has also plateaued in the last five years after a decade of decline, according to

In places where overpopulation

persists, deer hunting, according to DEEP, is an "ecologically sound, socially beneficial and fiscally responsible method of managing deer populations."

How many deer are shot every season? Hunters harvested 11,158 deer during the regulated hunting seasons in 2019. In 2020, they harvested 10.916.

Male deer account for nearly twice as many deer harvested by shotgun or rifle and by landowners, according to state data, but female dear are more susceptible to death due to crop damage.

What safety tips should I be aware of?

- Watch out for hazardous trees while in forested areas.
- Let someone know where you
- are going and when you will return. ■ Familiarize yourself with the area you plan to go, and be aware of the
- activities that occur there. ■ Wear brightly colored clothing, like a fluorescent orange vest and/ or hat.
- Call out if you see another person while in the woods to make them aware of your presence.
- Respect property rights, and obtain permission from the owner before entering private property.

When does the next season open? The season for muzzleloader hunting on state land begins Dec. 8.

Where can I learn more? Visit the 2021 Connecticut Hunting and Trapping Guide at portal.ct.gov/ DEEP/Hunting.

Tornadoes

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About 1,760 people were without power Sunday morning due to the storm, according to the outage map provided by Eversource Energy. Most had their power restored by the afternoon.

Crews from the weather service's field offices in Boston and New York were in Connecticut Sunday to determine whether tornadoes touched down in the state. Investigators planned to look at the pattern of wind damage as well as photos, videos and accounts of people who witnessed the storm.

The task can be especially challenging with weaker systems, such as the one that hit Connecticut on Saturday. "It can be hard to distinguish if a tree came down from straight line winds or from a [weaker] tornado," Megnia said.

A team from the weather service office in Massachusetts found evidence of tornadoes in Stonington, Plainfield and parts of western Rhode Island. A crew from the New York office was in Branford and determined a tornado touched

down there. The New York office also found evidence that a tornado hit parts of Long Island Saturday. Here's where Connecticut's

tornadoes touched down:

Cheshire EFO tornado

The Cheshire tornado was an EFO, the weakest kind. But between 3:30 and 3:34 p.m. Saturday, its 75 mph winds cut a path 3.5 miles long, causing some "significant tree damage," the National Weather Service said.

It first touched down along Mountain Road, just south of Higgins Road, and continued northeast with sporadic tree damage, the weather service said.

Although it initially was only 25 yards wide, it widened to 100 yards and it caused more tree damage on the grounds of the Legion of Christ College of Humanities on Oak Road.

It then narrowed to 25 yards again as it uprooted trees along Warren Street. The path of damage continued northeast to the back of the Main Street Caffe and along West

Main Street to the intersection of George and Mueller avenues, where an SUV and an RV were crushed. The damage after that became

more sporadic. It ended near Fairwood Drive, the service said. Cheshire High School's football field also took a hit, according to

Town Manager Sean M. Kimball. Kimball tweeted a video of the scoreboard and other equipment on the football field at Cheshire High

School being blown over. "Despite significant damage we're grateful for no apparent injuries in town," he said.

Stonington EF1 tornado

Connecticut's strongest tornado was the EF1 tornado in Stonington, which struck from 4:54-5 p.m. with winds of 90 mph, the weather service said. It was 100 yards wide.

Its 1.35 miles of damage started at Robinson Street in the Pawcatuck section of town. Several trees were uprooted or snapped halfway up the trunk. A gutter was ripped off one home, while shutters were torn off another, the service said.

Several trampolines were lifted, with one becoming stuck on a powerline some 20 feet in the air.

At Robinson and Race streets, a metal shed was lifted and flipped before being crushed by a maple branch that was more than a foot wide. Several street signs also were snapped at their bases.

It continued over the state line into Rhode Island, where about 20 trees were uprooted, the weather service said.

Branford EF0 tornado

Branford's EFO tornado blew at 85 mph for less than two miles. Its swath of damage was 300 yards wide at one point.

It started narrow, 25 yards wide, near Pine Orchard and Oak Hollow roads. It continued northeast, uprooting trees.

It widened to 300 yards at the field at Francis Walsh Intermediate School, where it toppled several portable light towers, the weather service said.

The tornado continued toward the top of Whiting Hill Road, where it narrowed to about 75 yards but did the most intense damage: Pine trees in a loop at the top of the road were snapped in two.

The tornado continued heading northeast to Gould Road, where it apparently lifted just before reaching the Governor John Davis Lodge Turnpike, or Connecticut Turnpike.

Plainfield EF0 tornado

Plainfield's EF0 tornado stayed on the ground six miles between 4:48 and 5:02 p.m., the weather service said. Its winds were 80 mph and it was 100 yards wide.

Several trees on a Sterling Hill Road hilltop near Goshen Road were uprooted before the tornado tracked into Rhode Island, where it moved a large trailer about 50 feet.

The weather service said it based its Plainfield information on radar confirmation of tornado debris and video footage from broadcast media.

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Bargaining rights sought for Guard members

Labor unions argue federal law does not prevent members on active state duty from unionizing

By Dave Collins

Associated Press

Labor unions filed a lawsuit Monday seeking collective bargaining rights for Connecticut National Guard members on active state duty ordered by the governor, saying they should be

entitled to organize the same way

as civilian state employees.

A 1978 federal law makes it a criminal felony for members of the armed forces, including the National Guard, to join or attempt to form a labor organization. But the statute only applies to service members when they are on active federal duty ordered by U.S. military officials, according to the Veterans Legal Services Clinic at

Yale Law School.

The clinic is representing four Connecticut state employees unions that filed the lawsuit against U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland and the Depart-

ment of Justice. The lawsuit seeks confirmation that the law does not prevent National Guard members from unionizing while on active state duty and that they would not face criminal charges for doing so.

Maj. David Pytlik, a spokesperson for the Connecticut National Guard, declined to comment on the lawsuit's claims, but said in a statement that the Guard has no "bearing on the court's interpretation of Federal law."

The office of Democratic Gov. Ned Lamont declined to comment on the suit, which was filed in federal court in Connecticut. Messages seeking comment were also sent to the Justice Department.

"When we're on state active duty, we are proud to help our home state respond to natural disasters, public health crises, and other emergencies," Christopher Albani, a former member of the 103rd Civil Engineer Squadron



Members of the Connecticut Air and Army National Guard unload hospital supplies at Southern Connecticut State University's Moore Field House on March 31, 2020, in New Haven. **KATHY WILLENS/AP**

in East Granby, Connecticut, said in a statement. "We just wish we had the same opportunity to join together as do the civilian state employees alongside whom we

The Connecticut National

Guard has been called to state duty several times over the past two years. Members have helped with cleanup efforts after major storms, aided police in response to protests and served during the state's response to the coronavirus, including setting up field hospitals and distributing supplies during the early days of the pandemic.

"Yet Guard members were not able to bargain over COVID-19 safety precautions, even though the state employees they worked directly alongside were able to have a voice in COVID-19 testing, shift safety, and other necessary precautions," said Jody Barr, a former National Guard member and current executive director of Council 4 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, a union with 30,000 members in Connecticut.

Council 4 is one of the four unions that filed the lawsuit, along with the Connecticut Police and Fire Union, the National Association of Government Employees and the Civil Service Employees International Union Local 2001.

Grace Judge, a law student intern at Yale's Veterans Legal Services Clinic, said the lawsuit appears to be the first litigation over the federal law barring military members from unionizing.

New mural a multimedia message

Sustainability, social justice among themes of 'Bee the Change'

By Christopher Arnott Hartford Courant

Artist Tao LaBossiere wants to create a buzz around The 224 EcoSpace on Farmington Avenue with his grand-scale artwork "Bee the Change: The Asylum Hill Pollinator Mural."

LaBossiere's multimedia mural-like piece helps define the space's community-based mission and environmental concerns through images of giant bees and honeycombs. It also promotes 224 Ecospace's new Artist of Color Accelerate program aimed at supporting and empowering local artists.

The 224 EcoSpace defines itself on its website as "the premiere arts, health and wellness social enterprise in Hartford, where change-makers work, create and lead." The center offers a gallery, co-working space, yoga and dance studios and a "performance sanctuary."

The project was unveiled Saturday afternoon at a ceremony attended by more than 100 people, including Ecospace supporters, Asylum Hill neighbors and other artists.

"They were gleeful," Tao LaBossiere said. "They said, 'Can I touch it?' I said yes, of course you can touch it. It's made to endure the elements." He says the mural is "a beacon that's already drawing people to the neighborhood."

The central image of bees came from a number of different inspirations. The work's title, "Bee the Change," is a play on the Mahatma Gandhi quote "Be the change you want to see in the world."

"Tao likes to use puns in his work," said Amy LaBossiere, who is married to Tao and works as the manager of his projects. The artist, who is Asian American, also likes that the hexagonal



Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin speaks during the unveiling of Tao LaBossiere's "Bee the Change: The Asylum Hill Pollinator Mural" at 224 EcoSpace on Saturday. **KEITH CLAYTOR/COURTESY**

shapes in a honeycomb evoke a holistic Chinese symbol. Among other things, the bees are meant to represent community ideals such as sustainability, social justice and pride in one's neighborhood.

in one's neighborhood.
"I mounted the bees intentionally so that they

would be floating off the wall. I wanted to include in the artwork itself a sense of shadows." The shadows they cast are large. "Making them massive places more importance on the bees themselves."

He also wanted the work to have an "environmental piece, about the vanishing of bees," which have been subject to diseases and other obstacles in recent years. A continued decline in the bee population, scientists say, could have severe environmental consequences.

Another inspiration for the big buzzing bodies: There's a

bee-friendly "pollinator garden" at the back of the 224 Ecospace area.

Smaller bees have been placed on nearby light poles, and others will be affixed to a forthcoming bus stop area.

ere LaBossiere decided when studying the 224 Ecospace building that he wanted to respect the contours of the

to respect the contours of the siding on the exterior, so planned to create sculpture that extended out from the walls.

Since he wanted a challenge, and to make it truly a mixed-media piece, he added dew drops, a watery image that required spray paint rather than the paints he used elsewhere. "The dew drops are the size of garbage can lids," Tao says. "They represent sadness amid the joy." He wanted to acknowledge the struggles communities face even as they celebrate and effect positive change. Late in the project, he

added African daisies (on the left side of the artwork) and African violets (on the right) as "a deliberate metaphor for African Americans."

The 224 Ecospace mural is a commissioned art piece for which Tao did most of the work himself, including the welding of the bee sculptures, the painting and construction. He has been commissioned to create murals at businesses throughout the Hartford area, including a number of well-known restaurants: the Crab Shack, the Pond House Cafe in Elizabeth Park, Five Corners Bistro and Craft Bar in Farmington, Joey Garlic's in Newington and Manchester and the new Salute location in Rocky Hill.

"It's always a collaborative process," says the artist of his relationship with his clients. "It's never just 'Paint this on my wall.'"

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Police ID man who died after 2 crashes

Ellington driver, 41, hit car, then concrete wall, in Manchester

By Christine Dempsey
Hartford Courant

Police have released the name of a driver who died Friday after he was involved in two crashes in Manchester's busy retail shopping district.

Daniel Laffin, 41, of Ellington, was pronounced dead at Hartford Hospital after the back-to-back crashes, which happened about 4:20 p.m.

According to police, a preliminary investigation shows that Laffin had been driving a pickup truck east in the HOV lane of the I-84 offramp at Exit 62 when he was involved in a minor collision with another vehicle. No one in the other car was injured.

Instead of stopping, the pickup continued traveling down the ramp, straight through the intersection with Buckland Street and into a concrete retaining wall on the east side of the heavily traveled road, police said.

That crash caused heavy damage to the truck and "significant life-threatening injuries to the lone male operator," police said. First responders provided medical aid before Laffin was taken to the hospital.

The police department's traffic unit continues to investigate the crashes along with a regional traffic team, Metro Traffic Services. Anyone who saw the crashes or has information about them is asked to call Officer Jonathan Sargolini at 860-643-3342.

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Birriadillas the star of Wicked Brick Kitchen

Bristol brewery creates fusion of birria tacos, quesadillas, burritos

By Susan Dunne Hartford Courant

At Wicked Brick Kitchen, which opened recently inside Better Half Brewing at 59 North Main St. in Bristol, the specialty of the house is birriadillas.

And what, you may ask, is a birriadilla? Rasheen Mathis, chef de cuisine at Wicked Brick, said they are a hybrid of birria tacos, quesadillas and burritos.

"I came across the craze of birria tacos. They are a very tasty taco version. I started to brainstorm and decided to put it into a crunch wrap," Mathis said. "It became this magical, tasty thing."

Mathis puts meat that has been slow-stewed in guajillo, pulla and arbol chiles for up to eight hours on a soft flour tortilla, along with rice, cheese, onions and cilantro. He tops it with a crispy corn tortilla and then folds it into a chubby pocket. He fries the pocket on the grill, in the stew liquid the beef

was cooked in.
"The stew liquid is important.

It makes it crispy," Mathis said.

Mathis' birriadillas come in beef, pork, chicken, cheese-burger or meatless. The meatless birriadillas are cooked in vegetable stew liquid. All come with a dipping sauce-consommé made from the stew liquid, as well as dipping cups of sour cream and

Wicked Brick Kitchen also sells birria tacos, street corn, pizzas, salads and garlic bread, to complement the brewery's menu of ales, porters, stouts and other beverages made on-site.

"The customers really like the food Rasheen makes. They say there's no other food around here like this," said Debbie Stanclift, who tends bar at the brewery owned by Michael and Rachel

Mathis, who lives in Glastonbury, is also sous chef at The Hartford Club.

The birriadillas concept grew out of Hartfood, when it was operating a ghost kitchen at the now-defunct Fiddleheads Café in Hartford. Hartfood was an initiative of the Hospitality Collective, a consortium of Hartford-area hospitality professionals who teamed up in summer 2020 to



Rasheen Mathis, of Wicked Brick Kitchen in Bristol, makes a birriadilla, a fusion of birria tacos, quesadillas and burritos. SUSAN DUNNE/HARTFORD COURANT

collaborate on projects.

Ben Dubow of the Collective said Hartfood is now hibernating and may be revived soon under another name.

Wicked Brick is owned by Better Half, the brand licensed from the Hospitality Collective.

Wicked Brick, and the brewery, are open Thursdays 4 to 9 p.m., Fridays 2 to 10 p.m., Saturday noon to 10 p.m. and Sunday noon to 6 p.m. betterhalfbrewing.com.

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Locally filmed holiday movie set to premiere

Bristol hosts 'Christmas on the Carousel' screening

By Christopher Arnott Hartford Courant

A new holiday movie filmed in and around Hartford, "Christmas on the Carousel," will have its local premiere Friday at 7:30 p.m. The special screening is at the New England Carousel Museum in Bristol — which also served as a location in the film.

Other scenes were shot at Bushnell Park and its carousel, when the attraction was closed last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Erik Bloomquist, who directed and stars in the moody romantic film, said, "The idea of filming at the Bushnell Park Carousel has always attracted me. Last winter, I was struck with the idea of it being a beautiful centerpiece for a Christmas movie: something both nostalgic and timeless that draws people together — a magnet for memories.

"While very much a feel-good movie, there's a wistful melancholy that ebbs and flows throughout as well. I think the environment of the carousel represents all of this, and we've done our best to capture the

palpable spirit of the place."

There are several nighttime

scenes in the film, including some amid the streetlights in Bushnell Park.

Other familiar locations in "Christmas on the Carousel" include Vaughan's Public House and Hartford Print on Pratt Street, and the outside of Union Station.

There's also local talent in the cast. Bloomquist (a Trinity College graduate who runs the film production company Mainframe Pictures with his brother Carson Bloomquist) was born in Newington. Madeleine Dauer, who plays Sloan in the film, is from New London. Rachel Oremland, who plays Callie, is from West Hartford. Tess Santarsiero, who plays Paige, is from Old Saybrook.

Following the premiere at the Carousel Museum (thecarouselmuseum.org) on Friday, there's another public screening of "Christmas on the Carousel" in Bristol a month later, Dec. 16 at 2 p.m. at the Bristol Public Library (bristollib.com). Both the Carousel Museum and Bristol Library screenings are free.

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CITY OF MIDDLETOWN INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals, addressed to the Supervisor of Purchases, City of Middletown, Room 112, 245 DeKoven Drive, Middletown, Connecticut, will be received until Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 11:00 am for the following:

BID #2021-029 REDEVELOPMENT OF WELLS AT THE JOHN S. ROTH WELLFIELD

Work required pursuant to this contract includes furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, services and incidentals necessary to redevelop wells (as needed) at the John S. Roth Wellfield, Middletown, CT. Work shall include, but shall not be limited to, the removal of existing pumps and related equipment, installation of new pumps or existing pumps and related equipment, pumping and mechanical surging, high velocity jetting, sand blasting, painting, pump tests, closed circuit TV inspection, application of various chemicals and mobilization and dismantling. Services required pursuant to this contract are anticipated for a twelve (12) month term. Work required pursuant to this contract for a twelve (12) month term.

A bid bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid amount shall be required with all bids submitted. Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bonds in the amount of 100% of the contract sum shall be required from the selected bidder following award. A Maintenance Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the contract sum shall be required after completion of work and prior to final payment. Wage rates do apply for all projects over \$100,000.00.

Bid documents may be obtained at the Purchasing Office, Room 112, Municipal Building, 245 DeKoven Drive, Middletown, CT., Monday - Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for a fee of \$:50 per page. It is preferred that they are downloaded free of charge on the City of Middletown web site: www.MiddletownCT.gov. All questions concerning this bid should be directed in writing to the Purchasing Department via fax at 860-638-4895 or email at purchase@MiddletownCT.gov.

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All bids and proposals are subject to, and must comply with the equal oppor-tunity and non-discriminatory provisions set forth in the Affirmative Action Plan of the City of Middletown

Dated: 11/16/2021 Middletown, Connecticut
Donna L. Formato, CPPB, NIGP-CPP
Supervisor of Purchases

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New England Mortgage Rates

ESTATE OF Raymond J. Tosatti, Late of Haddam (21-0692)

Probate Court, by decree dated Novembe 3, 2021, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Marge B. Calltharp, Clerk

The fiduciary is: Thomas R. Tosatti c/o LAURA ROSE CAPON, JACONETTA, BURNHAM & WIMER, LLC, 2650 MAIN STREET, GLASTONBURY, CT 06033 11/16/21 7084534

LEGAL NOTICE OF DECISION TOWN OF WESTBROOK The Westbrook Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission made the following decisions at the special meeting held via Zoom on November 9, 2021:

- 1. 177 Boston Post Road wetland restoration project update. Unanimously approved.
- 2. 1 Peter's Trail, Map 148, Lot 033, application for single family residence – review for drainage. Unanimously
- 3. 1238 Boston Post Road, Assessor ID Map 177, Lot 023 application for construction of a commercial building addition, bituminous parking repair and leaching system within 100' of inland wetlands. Unanimously approved.

Dated this the 10th day of Nove 2021 at Westbrook, Connecticut.

Inland Wetland Agent 11/16/21 7083914

ESTATE OF Joyce W. Neely, Late of Old

The Hon. Jeannine Lewis, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Saybrook Probate Court, by decree dated November 5, 2021, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

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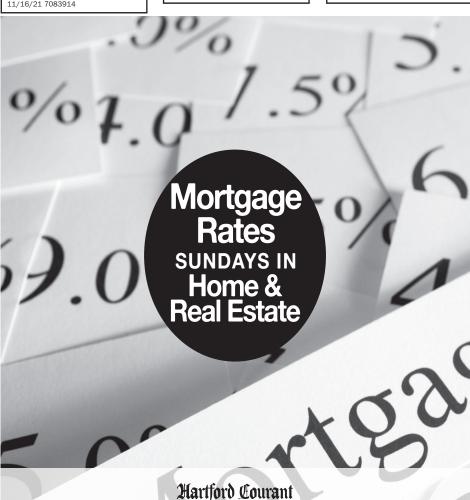
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'Always Jane' part of a new generation of trans documentaries

By Robert Ito The New York Times

In the first part of the documentary series "Always Jane," Jane Noury, a high school student in suburban New Jersey, hangs out with friends, contemplates college maybe the School of Visual Arts? — and works at the local Panera. She dreams of being a director. Near the end of part one, Jane also learns that she will have to miss commencement; it falls on the same day as

surgery. There's talk of anti-transgender bullying, but not a lot. In that episode, she also shops for a prom dress and plans a trip to Los Angeles, where she is to compete in an international competition for transgender models the first of its kind.

her gender confirmation

"I'm not saying it was all happy rainbows and everything," Jane said in a recent video interview. But she believed the series's director, Jonathan Hyde, "really wanted to tell a story where a family just shows their love and acceptance of their trans child."

Now streaming on Amazon Prime Video, the four-part series is among a crop of recent TV documentaries that skews toward the celebratory over the sensational, featuring younger transgender subjects who, unlike their predecessors of decades past, have the terminology and understanding to describe what they're going through and are growing up at a time when more viewers have been exposed

to transgender people and the issues they face.

The documentaries, which include films such as "Transhood" (about four transgender children growing up in Kansas City, Missouri) and "Little Girl" (a portrait of an 8-year-old transgender French girl), both from 2020, reflect a changing culture that allows for deeper and more nuanced explorations of their subjects — even as the films themselves contribute to those cultural changes.

"When you look at the history of trans documentaries, it started with this subculture perspective on trans people, like, 'Look at this weird corner of the world nobody knows about," said TJ Billard, a communications professor at Northwestern University and founding executive director of the Center for Applied Transgender Studies in Chicago. "Then it moved into highly medicalized documentaries about the 'scientific wonders of gender conversion."

And now? More and more of them, such as "Always Jane," tell stories of determined and immensely likable transgender children or teens who face adversity - from bullying to bathroom wars - and beat the odds. Many of the documentaries, some filmed nearly a decade ago when their subjects were very young, have created opportunities for their subjects since.

"Hollywood is much more willing to take a risk on somebody with a public profile," Billard said. "So

I think this pivot is, in some ways, a way for trans people who do emerge into the public eye through this documentary form to capitalize on it."

"Always Jane" got its start in early 2020, when Hyde was thinking about creating a short film centered on the transgender modeling contest in which Jane was set to compete. After meeting Jane and her mother in the run-up to the event, however, Hyde decided to put the focus squarely on the Nourys.

"I remember my mom was crying a lot, and then I started crying," Jane said. "It was a very emotional first meeting.'

Over the course of the series, Jane finishes a senior year upended by the pandemic and makes friends with other contestants in Los Angeles. ("I didn't have a lot of trans friends in Sparta," she said of her hometown in New Jersey.) Otherwise, much of the series is filled with scenes of a loving family, including Jane's father, David; her older sister, Emma, who is an intensely protective Coast Guard cadet; and her younger sister, Mae, who is struggling with the thought of having Jane leave home for college. Many scenes were filmed, diary-style, by Jane on a hand-held camera.

Documentaries about the transgender experience weren't always this way. Early examples include "Queens at Heart" (1967), an exploitation film complete with a creepy, leering interviewer, and



Jane Noury, seen Nov. 6 in New York, is the focus of a new docuseries, "Always Jane." TONJE THILESEN/THE NEW YORK TIMES

"Let Me Die a Woman" (1978), which promised viewers "all true! all real!" scenes of sex reassignment surgery. In these early films, the subjects were, not surprisingly, often anonymous.

Today's subjects are often anything but anonymous, and many have moved beyond the documentaries they appeared in to pursue opportunities as actors, writers and activists.

Jazz Jennings, who at 11 was the subject of the 2011 documentary "I Am Jazz," went on to write a children's book and a memoir and currently stars in a TLC reality series, also titled "I Am Jazz." Avery Jackson, who began filming "Transhood" in 2014, when she was 7, became the first transgender person

to appear on the cover of National Geographic in 2016 and wrote a children's book, "It's Okay to Sparkle," the next year.

In "Always Jane," Jane recalls being outed at a school assembly by a student who thought that transitioning was a sin. Her sister Emma, who was also at the assembly, wasn't having it — and said so. For the film, Jane went back to the auditorium to recount the story.

"I thought I was over what happened, but psychologically it was a lot for me to be back in that situation," she said. "I'm just really grateful I had Emma there to be my advocate and to just be there for

Since graduating high school, Jane has expanded her horizons and community. She has appeared in fashion magazines and walked the runway at Rihanna's Savage X Fenty fashion show in Los Ange-

A student at the School of Visual Arts in New York, Jane is studying film and hopes to try some acting. ("I'd love to do a horror film," she said, "maybe playing a psycho killer or something.") She also hopes to do more modeling. Her mother, Laura, hopes she will too.

"She's a beautiful model," Laura said. "And she struts her stuff down the runway. It's amazing to watch the confidence that's in her, because I look back and I remember the scared boy who wouldn't come out of his room."

CELEBRITIES

Daltrey likens Stones to 'pub band'

From news services

Roger Daltrey, the frontman for The Who, has compared the Rolling Stones to pub performers in a new interview with the Coda Collection.

"But as a band, if you were outside a pub and you heard that music coming out of a pub some night, you'd think, 'Well, that's a mediocre pub band!" Daltrey said with a laugh.

Daltrey, 77, did have high praise for the Rolling Stones' frontman, Mick Jagger. "You've got to take your hat off to him." Daltrey said. "He's the number one rock 'n' roll performer."

Daltrey's remarks about the Stones follow comments made by former Beatles rocker Paul McCartney in an interview with The New Yorker that was published last month.

"I'm not sure I should say it, but they're a blues cover band, that's sort of what the Stones are," McCartney said. "I think our net was cast a bit wider than theirs."

EMAs show highlights LGBTQ support: Pyrotech-

nics, elaborate costumes and aerial acrobatics ruled the night at the 2021 MTV European Music Awards show in Hungary's capital Sunday, a ceremony that was both a celebration of the year's biggest musical artists and a statement of support for LGBTQ people in the event's host country.

The show in Budapest featured performances by some of the world's most popular artists — some of them LGBTQ musicians who spoke out against policies in Hungary that are widely seen as curtailing LGBTQ rights.

Opening the night was English singer-songwriter Ed Sheeran with a performance of "Overpass Graffiti." Then the show's host. American rapper Saweetie, descended onto the stage



Roger Daltrey commented about the Rolling Stones in a Coda Collection interview. SUZANNE CORDEIRO/GETTY-AFP 2019

riding a giant snowflake for her own medley of songs.

Saweetie presented Sheeran with the award for best artist. Later, Sheeran's song "Bad Habits" took the award for best song.

American rapper Lil Nas X got the best video prize for "MONTERO (Call Me By Your Name)," which the artist co-directed with Ukrainian director Tanu Muino. South Korean pop group BTS took the most awards with four — best pop, best K-pop, best group and biggest fans — while Saweetie won in the "best new" category. Taking the best alternative award was English multi-instrumentalist and singer YUNG-BLUD.

Mana to play LA residency: Mana will play a concert residency next year at The Forum in Los Angeles, a city they consider their second home and in which they have broken audience records.

For the Mexican pop rock group, the real challenge will be to keep preforming unique shows, and they promise that they will not stop scheduling dates if the public asks for more. The residency announced on Monday will begin next year with the first dates scheduled for March and April. The residence will have two monthly concerts, with more dates added to fit demand.

The band has won four Grammys and seven Latin Grammys.

Nov. 16 birthdays: Actor David Leisure is 71. Actor Miguel Sandoval is 70. Actor Marg Helgenberger is 63. Singer Diana Krall is 57. Actor Harry Lennix is 57. Actor Lisa Bonet is 54. Actor Martha Plimpton is 51. Actor Missi Pvle is 49. Actor Maggie Gyllenhaal is 44. Comedian Pete Davidson is 28. Actor Noah Gray-Cabey is 26.



ASK AMY

By Amy Dickinson

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Friends behave differently while on a break

Dear Amy: I've always told my fiancee "Stacy" to stay in touch with her old friends from before we

I knew of her male friends and had met most of them, or so I thought.

Stacy and I recently had a break in our relationship, lasting for about two months, during which she moved out and was staying with her brother.

When we finally reconciled, I had a gut feeling that something wasn't right. I asked her if something happened while we were apart that would affect our relationship, and she said no.

My gut told me otherwise.

I was persistent. Finally. she revealed that she went out to dinner with an old friend, a male, who came to her brother's house.

She has continued to lie about several things regarding this situation. I think this was more than just dinner, but she denies any physical interaction with this person.

She also stated that she felt guilty about going out with him. I cannot understand all of the lying, hiding and secrecy.

She gets so upset with me whenever I bring it up. But things don't feel right.

I asked her if I could meet this guy. I'm not sure what to do. I

do love her and want to be with her, but I can't shake the feeling that there is still something that she is not telling me.

I don't want my actions to ruin our relationship, but also realize that her actions put us here in the first place.

What do you think? Forlorn Fiance

Dear Forlorn: Borrowing from a famous episode of "Friends" - "You were on

a break!"

You don't say how you and "Stacy" defined the break, but when a couple cohabit and then one party moves out, it seems a distinct possibility that one or both — will explore having a relationship (or at least go out to dinner) with

someone else. Your take on this seems to be that "Stacy" needs your permission to meet with people or have friendships. She doesn't.

She has admitted to feeling guilty about this, and so you could ask her why she feels guilty. She might sav that she knew that this would hurt your feelings and she is right.

Overall, you should always follow your gut, but you should also give this some time to resolve without pressuring her.

Dear Amy: I met someone on a dating app.

She was in my city for work. She even asked me over for a booty call, but I didn't go.

We kept talking, and so I asked to meet in-person in her town. She ghosted me.

Three months later, she texted me saying she accidentally ghosted me because she broke her leg and was on pain medicine and bed rest, but now was doing better.

Her explanation seemed plausible. We started texting nonstop and spent hours on the phone.

I fell for her hard. I suggested meeting again in her town, and she didn't respond for three weeks. She then said her leg got worse, and it wasn't

a good time. I confronted

her in an email and told her the behavior wasn't

acceptable. She didn't respond to my email. I followed up three more times.

I don't want to burn this bridge because I still really like her. What should I do? – Heartbroken and

Angry

Dear Heartbroken: Here are the signs you seem to have missed: She would only see you when she was

in your town (not in hers). She always controlled the contact with you and claimed to have ghosted you "by accident." (That

just doesn't happen.) My theory is that she is already in a relationship. But even if she isn't, she is a jerk. You deserve better.

Next time, pay very close attention to the other person's physical availability before communicating extensively.

Dear Amy: "Overwhelmed in Georgia" reported that her child's caregiver constantly brings gifts to the family.

I am a pet sitter. I leave a small, innocuous gift (a plant, flowers, a homemade loaf of bread) for clients, as a token of my gratitude for their business. I try to be mindful of their tastes, and never give anything that would "invade" their lives or make them feel uncomfortable.

Grateful Pet Sitter

Dear Grateful: That is very thoughtful.

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'Spencer' star Stewart is done hiding her life

Much like character, actor knows a thing about being famous

By Lindsey Bahr Associated Press

Kristen Stewart has been talking about playing Princess Diana in the new film "Spencer" almost daily for over two months. It's a normal experience for a major star promoting a major film that's expected to be a major awards contender, and Stewart, who has been extremely famous for most of her life, is used to it all.

But on this night in New York, at the tail end of a day when she's worn five different outfits for five different appearances, she's allowing herself to admit that she is, "exhausted."

"To try and shove our entire experience into a few moments? It's impossible," Stewart, 31, said.

That's because "Spencer" is not just an ordinary film with ready-made anecdotes about co-stars or preparation, although there was much of that to get the mannerisms and accent down. It is not a documentary, a biography or a fill-inthe-gaps exercise like "The Crown," either. "Spencer" is an evocative and artful "fable from a true tragedy" about one of the most famous women who has ever lived over a Christmas weekend with the royal family that preceded the divorce. The film has made Stewart for the first time in her career a front-runner for a best actress Oscar nomination. But it has also invited many, many comparisons to Stewart's own life and fame. She gets why, too, but she's quick to point out the differences.

"Imagine at 19 years old like you're already getting married and having a baby and being asked to fulfill a fantasy that everyone wants to be real, but you can see very clearly, is not real," Stewart said. "It's like



Kristen Stewart in "Spencer." Stewart is a front-runner for a best actress Oscar nomination for her portrayal of Princess Diana in the film. PABLO LARRAIN/NEON

going to summer camp and never being able to come home. But you're like, actually, I hate summer camp.'

But the experience of talking about this experience, that of preparing for and making the movie and analyzing the movie as it relates to her has been disorienting in a way. Answers that she once had evaporate, certainty becomes ambiguity and truths morph into something else. Sometimes, she said, it feels as though she's being dragged through "the moral conundrums" of her life.

"It's weird because my job is to open myself up in a way that feels generous because what you get in return is usually equal to what you put out," she

said. "Who I'm talking to right now is not just you, it's your readers of course, and I want them to focus on what I primarily prioritize, which is the movie and my life. And if I start sort of victimizing myself, it's just so unrelatable."

The film is directed by Pablo Larrain, the man behind Natalie Portman's artful turn as Jackie Kennedy in 2016, and has been likened to a gothic ghost story and a psychological horror. Diana, who is both obsessively monitored and achingly isolated, has visions of Anne Boleyn. There is real and imagined body horror, unsettling flashbacks and a chilling dinner that they simply refer to as the "pearl soup

"I just think that it's just an extension of her mental state and we are able to inhabit that," Larrain said.

He wanted to create the experience of lucid dreaming, of seeing things that aren't there and melding 500 years of history with a quick cut of the camera.

"This person, this character that we're thinking about in her internal experience feels as though Anne Boleyn is sitting at that table and it's so much more fun and honest to have her there," Stewart said. "I just think it's one thing that movies can do that not many other art forms can do."

Being part of the "awards conversation," too, has been an interesting experience for both, but mostly

for its ability to extend the conversation about a film. "As they say, you only care about awards when

they give them to you," Larrain said, laughing. "I love being a part of a larger conversation," Stewart said. "But some of my favorite movies of all time have like, very low Rotten Tomato percentages and

didn't get an Academy

Award." And in the midst of all this reflection on fame and scrutiny and Diana and herself, Stewart recently revealed that she and her girlfriend of two years are engaged. It was a choice she made not in spite of, but because of her experiences.

"I've been famous for a long time. And when I was younger, I felt this overt

control was actually taking away from my experience being a human. And so at the end of this day, it just feels better to not subject myself to militaristic hiding," she said. "When I was younger, I really tried to protect what was precious to me. But actually, I found that in protecting those things, you give them away. They sort of become something that is not yours.

"To think that I could be stronger than this entity, which is the press and the media, is psychotic," she continued. "I would like to live a life because I'm going to be a better actor if I can live a real life, I'm going to be a better artist like who's actually more present and capable of being real."

HOROSCOPES

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Aries (March 21-April 19): Championing your friends can strengthen your relationships with them as the careful Moon in your sign emphasizes your natural protective instincts. Let them know that defying rules and authority isn't always a bad idea.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Your easygoing nature is

taking over today. If you're able to have a fun day today. invite someone along. Get a pedicure together or enjoy a delicious meal at an exotic restaurant. Traditional types might think that the two of you are frivolous - don't let them drag you down.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): You could be feeling relief right now. This newfound sense of freedom can help you become much more productive, especially if you're able to handle your duties in a more relaxed way than before. Ideas tend to flow freely when you aren't anxious about meeting strict expecta-

Cancer (June 21-July 22): You may feel especially empowered to explore your creative side right now, and you shouldn't hesitate to do so! It's important you make time for hobbies and personal pleasures that make you feel fulfilled. Still, it might be wise to keep your interests to yourself for now.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Finding your dream home or improving relationships within your family might be priorities of yours. Everyone's idea of perfection is different, so think about what your ideal environment would feel like before you start making changes. Don't take your

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your mental capacity is especially strong right now. Your natural meticulousness can help you pinpoint weak spots in complex systems, making you a valuable player at work or in the community. Others will appreciate your ability to improve the

eyes off the prize.

flow of things.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your happiness is always important. If the activities you engage in don't bring you joy, don't hesitate to make some changes. Trying out a fun, new hobby can really lift your spirits. Ignore anyone who has anything negative to say, because positive energy is what you're trying to cultivate.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Creativity and communication are incredibly supported for you right now, making it a wonderful time to express yourself. Whether you do so artistically or verbally, let your authentic self be heard. Don't be surprised if people seem to come out of the woodwork to respond.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. **21):** A freedom-lover

like you may be interested in escaping the rat race. Taking advantage of some freelance work or a nontraditional job could be a welcome alternative to working conventional hours. Your approach might make more traditional types uneasy.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan.

19): A more unorthodox path could be calling you today. A fresh sense of inspiration can carry you forward, whether it involves a different career, a new place to live or some other unique choice. Family members may disapprove. Embrace your capacity for greatness!

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Operating behind the scenes can give you the greater sense of independence that you desire. You'll probably enjoy having more space to explore your radical ideas and methods. Today you can muster up some confidence and push past your reservations to solve a problem.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): In the past, you may have felt alienated by friends who didn't identify with your interest, so finding a new tribe that appreciates your passions could be a big relief and give you an overdue sense of belonging. Old friends might still accuse you of wasting your time — they're just jealous.





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In 1945, "The Friendly Ghost," an animated short featuring the debut of Casper, was released by Paramount.

In 1991, former Louisiana governor Edwin Edwards won his bid to return to office, defeating State Rep. David Duke, a former Ku Klux Klan leader.

In 2001, investigators found a letter addressed to Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., containing anthrax.

In 2006, Democrats embraced Nancy Pelosi as the first female House speaker in history.

In 2018, a U.S. official said intelligence officials had concluded that Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman had ordered the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

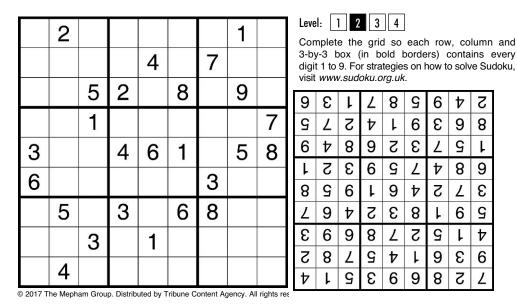
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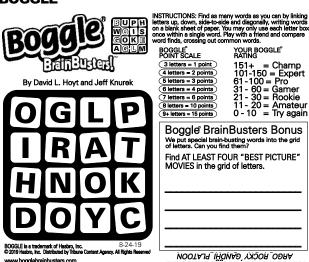
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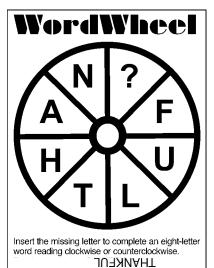


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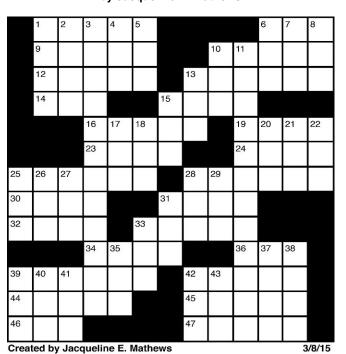


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by Jacqueline E. Mathews



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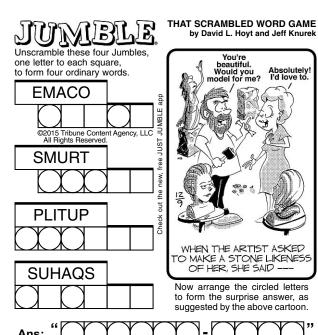
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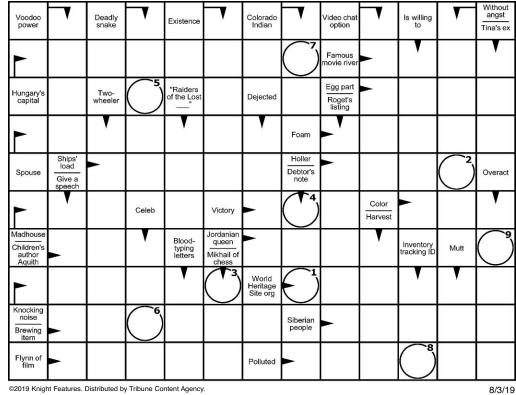
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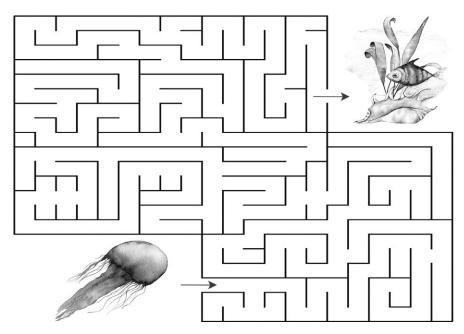
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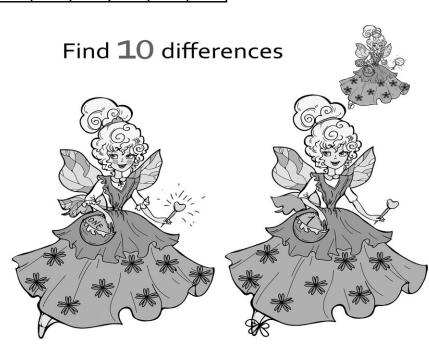


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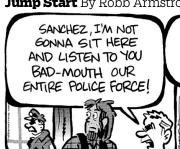
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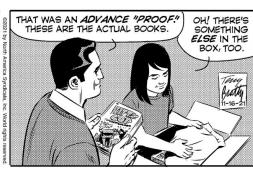


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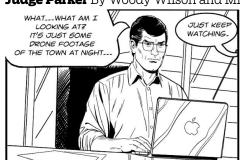








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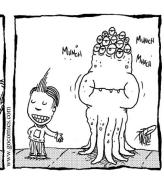




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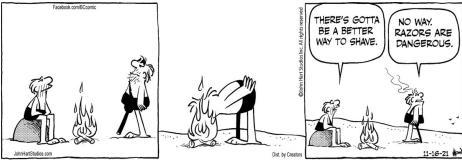








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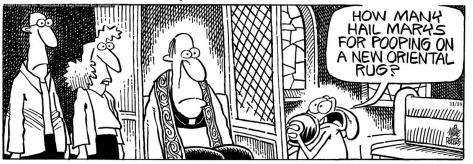
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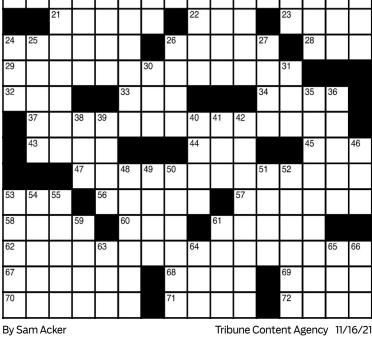
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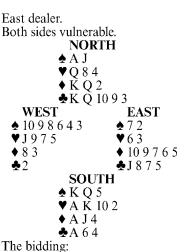
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BRIDGE

BY STEVE BECKER



Opening lead — ten of spades. XXX XXX

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"Holmes," said Watson, as he sat dejectedly in his easy chair inscribing the hand shown, "I experienced another crushing defeat at the club today. As you know, I have been losing steadily over the past fortnight, though in all candor I must say I have held my fair share of the cards.

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"Alas, an evil scourge seems to pursue me and, to add to my woes, each time I am on the verge of a triumph, an unexpected quirk of fate conspires to deprive me of it. I find that I have now acquired a defeatist attitude at the table."

The great detective's deep-set eyes twinkled as he reached for the diagrammed deal. "Tell me of your latest experience," he said.

"I was South," the doctor replied sadly, "and quickly found myself in seven notrump. I won the spade lead with the ace and cashed three hearts, learning that West held four to the knave. When I next played the king and a low club to the ace, West showed out, leaving me with only 12 tricks and no hope of a 13th. I was extraordinarily unlucky to encounter such a filthy lie of the cards. The odds must have

been 20-to-1 in my favor."

"Alas, my dear friend," said Holmes, reaching for his pipe, "you think but you do not reason. You failed to explore fully all the aspects of the hand. You should have cashed the K-Q of spades after cashing the K-Q-A of hearts.

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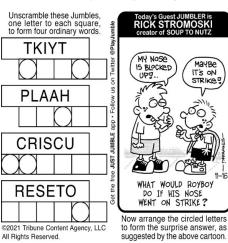
"A remarkable analysis, Holmes," said the doctor, admiringly.

"Purely elementary, my dear Watson," the great detective replied.

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BY DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK



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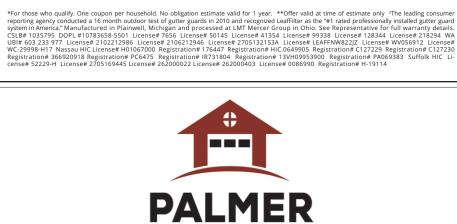
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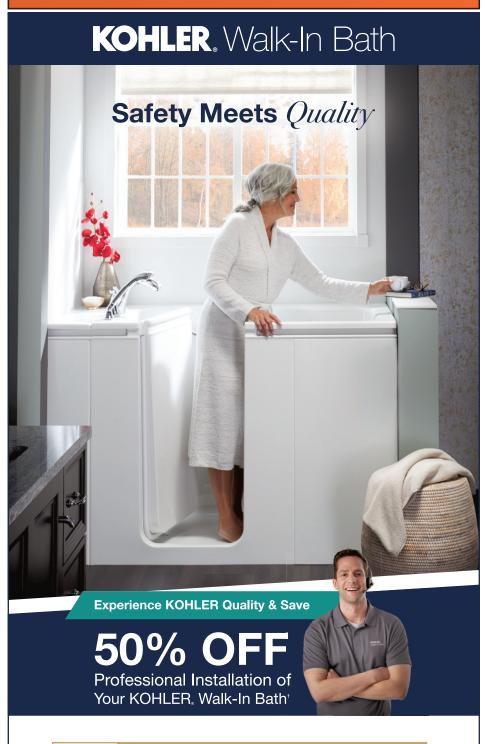
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UCONN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Freshman guard Poffenbarger to transfer

By Alexa Philippou Hartford Courant

UConn women's basketball freshman Saylor Poffenbarger is transferring, the school announced Monday.

"Saylor is a great person who has a lot of potential. Wherever she goes, she'll be able to reach her goals and benefit her future home," UConn coach Geno Auriemma said in a statement. "We wish Saylor and her family the best as she continues her career."

The news was first reported by Russell Steinberg of The Next.

"After talking to my family, I decided it's in my best interest to enter my name into the transfer portal," Poffenbarger said in the release. "I'm grateful for my teammates, coaches, support staff and the fans for welcoming me to

Storrs, and I wish them the best."

Poffenbarger, initially the first player of the Huskies' 2021 recruiting class to commit in July 2019, enrolled at UConn this past January after graduating early from high school. The 6-foot-2 guard was ranked the No. 30 recruit in the country by espnW, and Auriemma touted her versatility as someone who could play multiple places on the floor.

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Paige Bueckers named Big East player of the week. **Page 4**

"A kid like Saylor, we needed somebody that could play a lot of different positions and had a feel for the game that we really needed to get in here," he said the day she signed her letter of intent.

The Middletown, Maryland,

product appeared in 12 games last season, totaling six points (1-for-11 shooting on 3s) and four rebounds in 32 minutes. She dealt with injuries for the majority of her shortlived UConn career, first back problems last season and recently a shin issue, according to Auriemma, that kept her out of the Huskies' exhibition and Sunday's season

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TITLE IX REVIEWS

Trinity women fighting athletic inequalities as the field hockey team prepares to play in and host the NCAA DIII final four with 'unimpressive' facilities

'THIS IS NOT OK'



People watch field hockey from the bleachers at Trinity College in Hartford on Wednesday. Before the field hockey season started, the school had planned to renovate the football stands and the adjoining field hockey stands, but when the field hockey players arrived for preseason, only the football stands had been renovated. **JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

By Lori Riley Hartford Courant

n Sunday, the Trinity field hockey team had reason to celebrate after advancing to the NCAA Division III final four for the first time since 1998 and the third time in school history with a 2-0 win over Babson. Better yet, the Bantams will play on their home field as host of the final four for the first time this upcoming weekend.

The championship, however, will be played against the backdrop of a chorus of demands for change at the university. Women athletes, including members of the field hockey team, have called for a Title IX review, citing inequities in the athletic facilities on campus.

"I'm feeling excited, but it's hard to fully embrace what's happening and what we're about to experience without also in the back of our minds, trying to prove a point that is not related to the game at all," Trinity senior field hockey player India Shay said. "It's frustrat-

ing because we should only be thinking about the success over the weekend and the hopeful success we'll have next weekend."

The NCAA requires 1,000 seats to host a final four, which Trinity has. The look — compared to what occurred on the football stadium side — is not exactly what the field hockey players expected. When the field hockey players arrived for preseason in August, the football stands in Jessee/Miller Field were being renovated and close to completion, but the field hockey stands on Robin L. Sheppard Field were not.

The two fields are adjacent with back-to-back stands and a press box on top in the middle of both fields. An initial rendition of the renovations had the football stands built up to the press box and a similar look on the field hockey side. Instead, the old field hockey bleachers and an equipment shed were removed, leaving no storage area for the team. A set of metal bleachers was subsequently installed and some older bleachers were brought in for additional seating.

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— Trinity senior field hockey player India Shay

PATRIOTS

Jones and Co. looking primed for playoff push

By Kyle Hightower
Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Matt Judon has experienced a lot of emotions during the Patriots' fourgame winning streak.

me winning streak. Surprise isn't one of them.

While there were certainly things to clean up after their 2-4 start to the season, the linebacker said the mood in New England's locker room has remained consistent.

"We didn't get down on ourselves at all. We knew the type of players we have. We knew that we had to execute a little bit better and hone in on the small details," Judon said. "I think that's what we did, and we started executing in practice and it started showing up in games."

The latest result, Sunday's 45-7 blowout of the Browns, has the Patriots enjoying their longest winning streak since 2019. More importantly, it puts them squarely back in the AFC postseason hunt.

Despite not having leading rusher Damien Harris (concussion), New England still had one of its most efficient offensive efforts of the season, scoring on all four of its possessions in the first half. It also had three 90-yard touchdown drives, the only time that's happened during Bill Belichick's tenure as coach.

Defensively, the Patriots were just as locked in on their way to holding Cleveland scoreless over the final three quarters.

There are many positive signs with only a few days to prepare before a Thursday night matchup with Atlanta.

Like Judon, safety Devin

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CELTICS 98, CAVALIERS 92

Late flurry by Schroder, Tatum's 23 points help Boston past Cleveland

Courant wire services

CLEVELAND — Jayson Tatum scored 23 points and Dennis Schroder had six points in the final 76 seconds as the Boston Celtics beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 98-92 on Monday night, splitting their two-game set at Rocket Mortgage

FieldHouse.

Al Horford had 17 points and nine rebounds, and Schroder and Marcus Smart each scored 14 as Boston (7-7) won for the third time in four games. Tatum also had eight rebounds, five assists and two blocks.

On Saturday, Darius Garland made two free throws with 9.4

seconds left as Cleveland rallied from a 19-point deficit in a 91-89 win over Boston. Both teams played their third game in four

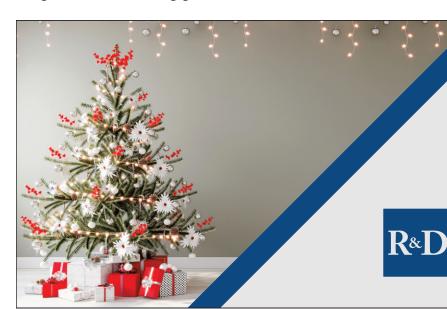
Ricky Rubio scored 26 of his 28 points in the second half and Cedi Osman had 26 points and five assists off the bench for the

Cavaliers (9-6), who have won six of eight.

Cleveland rookie Evan Mobley missed all 11 of his field goal attempts and finished with one point, nine rebounds and five assists before heading into the locker room for undisclosed reasons early in the fourth quarter.

The Cavaliers appeared to take a 90-88 lead with 1:51 left, but Denzel Valentine's back foot was out of bounds on a 3-pointer. Schroder made back-to-back baskets to extend Boston's advantage to 94-89, then tacked on two

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7:30 p.m. Knicks: Magic, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; Rockets, Saturday, 5 p.m.; at Bulls, Sunday, 8 p.m. Nets: Warriors, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.; Cavaliers, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; Magic, Friday, 7:30 p.m. **UConn hockey:** at UMass Lowell, Saturday, 6 p.m.; UMass Lowell. Sunday. 3:30 p.m.; Colgate, Nov. 27, 4 p.m. Bruins: at Flyers, Saturday, 7 p.m.; Flames, Sunday, 7 p.m.; at Sabres, Nov. 24. 7 p.m. Rangers: Canadiens, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; at Maple Leafs, Thursday, 7 p.m.; at Senators, Saturday, 1 p.m.

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GIANTS

Team optimistic about Barkley's return

New York Daily News

Saquon Barkley practiced Monday afternoon as the Giants returned from their Week 10 bye, and head coach Joe Judge said he is optimistic about Barkley (ankle) playing next Monday night at Tampa Bay.

Left tackle Andrew Thomas (foot/ ankle) was on the side with trainers but wasn't even in uniform, a bad sign for his potential availability as the Giants (3-6) try to build on their

Week 9 home win over the Raiders. Barkley has missed the last four games, and Thomas has missed the last three.

The Bucs (6-3) are coming off a road loss to Washington, and an angry Tom Brady will be looking for a big bounce-back against a Giants defense that is only allowing 13 points per game its last three outings.

"They're one of the best teams in the league for a reason," Judge said of the Bucs. "They have arguably the greatest player to ever play the game

running the huddle."

WR Sterling Shepard (quad), edge Lorenzo Carter (ankle) and safety Nate Ebner (ankle) worked on the side with trainers. Shepard was jogging pretty well after practice, but it would be a surprise if he played against Tampa.

Three players were absent due to what the team called "personal matters:" running backs Devontae Booker and Eli Penny, and kicker Graham Gano.

This contradicted Judge's state-

ment prior to practice that "every-

body's back in the building."
Booker was expected to be back in the New York/New Jersey area on Monday night and was expected to report to the facility on Tuesday's off day. He is dealing with a hip injury

Judge, meanwhile, said no one should overreact to assistant GM Kevin Abrams' presence at last weekend's Pitt-UNC game, where top QB prospects Kenny Pickett and Sam Howell dueled.



Focus on Saleh, Ulbrich to adjust, fix defensive woes

By Dennis Waszak Jr. Associated Press

NEW YORK - This is absolutely not what anyone envisioned for the New York Jets. Especially on defense.

Robert Saleh came to New York with a reputation as a defensive guru who would establish a dominant presence on that side of the football while a rookie quarterback develops on a young offense. So far, the Jets' defense has been embarrassingly bad. A lack of execution by the players and inadequate adjustments by Saleh and his staff are largely to

"It always starts with me first, but we've got to coach it a lot better." Saleh said Monday, less than 24 hours after a 45-17 loss to Buffalo. "We've got to understand that as players, and we've got to stick to our fundamentals and not panic in situations and make stuff up. But collectively, obviously, it's got to get better, and we've got eight games to embrace the opportunity to go play great ball and improve on what we've put out in the first nine games."

That's putting it mildly. Not only has the defense been bad, it has been

historically awful. The Jets (2-7) are the first team to give up at least 45 points three times in a four-game span since the Giants in 1966, according to ESPN Stats & Info. After allowing 489 yards against Buffalo, teams have rolled up 1,890 yards in the past four games — the most given up by New York in a four-game span in team history.

"Our job is to go out there and stop people, and we haven't done it over the last few outings," defensive tackle Sheldon Rankins said. "So for us, yeah, we're embarrassed, because it's not our standard."

The linebacker group has been banged up, and the young secondary lost veteran safeties Marcus Maye and Lamarcus Joyner to injuries, creating an even more inexperienced group.

Given all that, it's clear there are weaknesses all over the field. It's on Saleh and defensive coordinator Jeff Ulbrich to try to adjust. The scheme in place might not fit the talent on the field at the moment. And the Jets might not be able to fully fix it until the offseason in free agency and the draft.

"Is play calling going to change anything? Saleh said. "It's not going to change anything. It's execution."

The Jets have the worstranked defense in the NFL, and everyone's still searching for answers.

"I'm just as frustrated as everybody else, and my promise to Jets fans is this thing's going to flip," Saleh



Bills wide receiver Isaiah McKenzie has room to run after a catch Sunday against the Jets. Opposing offenses have found plenty of openings against a struggling New York defense this season. BILL KOSTROUN/AP



Patriots linebacker Matt Judon celebrates a sack during Sunday's victory over the Browns, New England's fourth win in a row. STEW MILNE/AP

Patriots

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McCourty said the biggest change he's seen in recent weeks has been the team's improved preparation.

We know how to go out and execute. That comes from the week. That comes from making mistakes in practice and fixing them. We just have to keep doing that," he said. "I don't think confidence comes from just playing well for a couple games and it is just going to happen."

While he's pleased to see the progress his team has made, Belichick said it's all part of the longer journey.

"I think each year has its own dynamics. Each team develops its own unique way. Sometimes there's carryover. Sometimes there isn't or there's similarities. Sometimes I don't know if you know that until it's all over," he said. "Hopefully, some of the work that we're doing now will pay off."

What's working: The Patriots struggled to score touchdowns in the red zone during their first six games, getting into the end zone on just 9 of 19 opportunities. They've picked things up dramatically during their winning streak, scoring TDs on 9 of their past 11 trips inside the 20-yard line. What needs help: Penalties are still unusu-

ally high for a team that's been typically disciplined under Belichick. New England

was flagged six times Sunday, its sixth game with six or more infractions this season. The Patriots had only two such games through their first 10 games in 2020.

Stock rising: The Patriots held the Browns to 99 yards rushing, the first time this season opponents have been held under the century mark in back-to-back games. While the absence of Cleveland running back Nick Chubb played a role, it's a good sign for a unit that was pushed around up front earlier in the season.

Stock falling: A week after not having a pass thrown his way, receiver Nelson Agholor was targeted four times and had just two catches for 21 yards. He signed a two-year, \$20 million deal as a free agent in the offseason and was supposed to give the offense a boost at the position. But he hasn't caught more than three passes in a game since the season opener.

Injury report: The Patriots entered Sunday with 12 players listed on the injury report as questionable. They left the game relatively unscathed. Cornerback Jalen Mills left in the first quarter with an arm injury but was able to return.

Coaching milestone: The win marked Belichick's 250th regular-season victory with the Patriots, tying him for third on the career list. He becomes the fourth coach to reach that milestone with one team, joining George Halas (318 with Chicago), Don Shula (257 with Miami) and Tom Landry (250 with Dallas).

KNICKS

Thibodeau says Toppin's limited playing time for Knicks an issue of 'performance' and 'balance'

By Stefan Bondy New York Daily News

The Madison Square Garden crowd loves the Obi Toppin experience, but Knicks coach Tom Thibodeau still sees hindrances to more playing time.

Toppin, who has ignited adoration from Knicks fans with his athleticism and high-flying dunks, entered Monday with his stats up across the board but still averaged less than 15 minutes, despite the consistent chants at MSG of "Obi, Obi, Obi."

Asked about getting his secondyear power forward more minutes, coach Tom Thibodeau brought up "balance" and "performance." It was code for Toppin's defensive deficiencies still being an impediment.

"It's all based on performance. It's not an individual thing. It's a team thing," the coach said. "It's how the team is functioning, and there has to be a balance to offense and defense. That factors into it as

So has Toppin progressed on defense?

"He's getting better," Thibodeau said. "The rebounding is still something that he's locked into a lot better. So he's improved in that area as well. He's gotten a lot better in terms of understanding schemes. So just keep working at it." Toppin was too raw and unset-

tled to warrant greater playing time last season, when he logged sparing minutes and couldn't get out of his own way. The bust label attached But there's no doubt Toppin has improved in all facets, as Thibodeau indicated, and there's investment

pick at eighth overall last year. Moreover, the crowd is infatuated. It brings chills every time they do that," Toppin said of the chants.

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There are a few reasons the fans love Toppin: his playing style is exciting, which Toppin reinforced with a windmill dunk in Friday's loss to the Hornets; supporters always have a soft spot for homegrown draft picks; and his name is a smooth two syllables.

"It's easy chant for real," Toppin

Still, the 24-year-old hasn't earned that trust from Thibodeau, and playing behind Julius Randle



The Pacers' Goga Bitadze shoots against the New York Knicks' Alec Burks in the first half Monday. Knicks coach Tom Thibodeau says defense is a key to earning playing time. FRANK FRANKLIN II/AP

- the league leader in minutes last season - naturally limits Toppin's opportunities. There's also an understanding in

his circle about the circumstances. "Obi is playing good right now, but Thibodeau knows the game. He knows what he's doing, and he's always going to put the best product out there to win game,"

Toppin's godfather and mentor, Victor Monaros, said Monday.

Thibodeau has been resistant to playing Toppin in a lineup with Randle, citing a need for rim protection in his frontcourt. With Randle signing a four-year contract extension in the summer, it raises the question of Toppin's role in the long

Celtics

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free throws to close out the scoring. Kanter update: Celtics

center Enes Kanter continues to accelerate his ongoing social media assault on the Chinese government, complete with themed game night sneakers for the support of what he calls the Uyghur genocide in Tibet, Taiwanese sovereignty and a challenge for President Joe Biden to raise these issues during his meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping on Monday. On Sunday he carried it further. Kanter, who said during an interview with CNN that two representatives from the NBA approached him on opening night in New York with a request that he stop wearing the protest sneakers, intimated during a tweet Sunday that his lack of playing time is connected to his protests. "Keep limiting me on the court, I will expose you off the court," tweeted Kanter, who made one brief four-minute appearance in the 11 games leading up to Monday night's game in Cleveland. Kanter. who has refused to talk about his political actions with media covering the team, has reserved his views for outlets like CNN.

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Carolina	13	11	2	0	22	45	25
Washington	15	9	2	4	22	54	36
N.Y. Rangers	15	9	3	3	21	42	43
New Jersey	14	7	4	3	17	42	42
Philadelphia	13	7	4	2	16	36	34
Columbus	12	7	5	0	14	38	37
Pittsburgh	14	5	5	4	14	42	49
N.Y. Islanders		5	4	2	12	27	29
WESTERN CONFERENCE							
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Minnesota	14	10	4	0	20	48	43
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N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay, late

TUESDAY'S GAMES Buffalo at Pittsburgh, 7p.m. Calgary at Philadelphia, 7p.m. Montreal at N.Y. Rangers, 7p.m. N.Y. Islanders at Florida, 7p.m. Nashville at Toronto, 7p.m. Ottawa at New Jersey, ppd. Arizona at St. Louis, 8p.m. Edmonton at Winningg, 8p.m. San Jose at Minnesota, 8p.m. Detroit at Dallas, 8:30p.m. Carolina at Vegas, 10p.m. Washington at Anaheim, 10p.m.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS Calgary 4, Ottawa 0 Washington 6, Pittsburgh 1 Boston 5. Montreal 2 Edmonton 5, St. Louis 4 N.Y. Rangers 4, New Jersey 3 (SO) Anaheim 5, Vancouver 1

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at LA Clippers	61/2	(2191/	San A	ntonio
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NHL		TUES	DAY
FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
at Toronto	-194	Nashville	+162
at Florida	-161	NY Islanders	+137
at NY Rangers	-166	Montreal	+140
Calgary	-124	at Philade.phia	+104
at Pittsburgh	-242	Buffalo	+196
at St. Louis	-308	Arizona	+243
at Minnesota	-190	San Jose	+159
Edmonton	-115	at Winnipeg	-105
at Dallas	-175	Detroit	+148
Carolina	-127	at Vegas	+106
Washington	-136	at Anaheim	+114

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NFL WEEK 11	SP	O/U	THURSDAY
New England	61/2	(47)	at Atlanta
			SUNDAY
at Philadelphia	11/2	(431/2)	New Orleans
Miami	3	(45)	at NY Jets
at Carolina	3	(43)	Washington
at Buffalo	7	(49)	Indianapolis
at Cleveland	10	$(44\frac{1}{2})$	Detroit
San Francisco	6	(461/2)	at Jacksnvlle
at Tennessee	101/2	(45)	Houston
Green Bay	21/2	(49)	at Minnesota
Baltimore	6	(451/2)	at Chicago
Cincinnati	1	(49)	at Las Vegas
Arizona	21/2	(50)	at Seattle
at Kansas City	2	(551/2)	Dallas
at LA Chargers	41/2	(47)	Pittsburgh
_			MONDAY

at Tampa Bay 11 (50) For the latest odds, go to FanDuel Sportsbook https://sportsbook.fanduel.com/

NY Giants

MLS CUP PLAYOFFS EAST FIRST ROUND Phi, vs. NY Red Bulls, Saturday, 2:30 p.m
Nashville vs. Orlando, Nov. 23, 8 p.m. N.Y. City vs. Atlanta, Sunday, 3 p.m.
WEST FIRST ROUND Seattle vs. Salt Lake, Nov. 23, 10:30 p.m. Sporting KC vs. Vancouver, Saturday, 10 p.m.

Portland vs. Minnesota, Sunday, 5:30 p.m. **NWSL CHAMPIONSHIP** Saturday in Louisville, noon

Chicago vs. Washington

U.S. MEN'S SCHEDULE (16-2-2) q-Nov. 16: vs. Jamaiaca, 5 p.m. Dec. 18: vs. Bosnia-Herzegovina, 8 p.m. q-World Cup qualifying

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE SATURDAY'S MATCHES

Leicester vs. Chelsea, 7:30a.m. Aston Villa vs. Brighton, 10a.m. Burnley vs. Crystal Palace, 10a.m. Newcastle vs. Brentford, 10a.m. Norwich vs. Southampton, 10a.m. Watford vs. Man United, 10a.m. Wolverhampton vs. West Ham, 10a.m. Liverpool vs. Arsenal, 12:30p.m.

NBA				
EASTERN CONF				
ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT	GB
Brooklyn	10	4	.714	_
Philadelphia	8	6	.571	2
New York	7	6	.538	$2\frac{1}{2}$
Toronto	7	7	.500	3
Boston	7	7	.500	3
SOUTHEAST	W	L	PCT	GB
Washington	10	3	.769	-
Miami	8	5	.615	2
Charlotte	8	7	.533	3
Atlanta	5	9	.357	$5\frac{1}{2}$
Orlando	3	10	.231	7
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago	9	4	.692	_
Cleveland	9	6	.600	1
Milwaukee	6	8	.429	3 1/2
Indiana	6	8	.429	3 1/2
Detroit	3	10	.231	6
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SOUTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Dallas	8	4	.667	
Memphis	6	7	.462	2 1/2
San Antonio	4	9	.308	4 1/2
New Orleans	2	13	.133	7 1/2
Houston	1	12	.077	7 1/2
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NORTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GD
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Denver	9	4	.692	1
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Denver Utah Portland Oklahoma City	9 8 6 5	4 5 8 7	.692 .615 .429 .417	1 3 ½ 3 ½ 4 ½
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MONDAY'S RESULTS

Sacramento 129, Detroit 107 Washington 105, New Orleans 100 Indiana at New York, late Orlando at Atlanta, late Denver at Dallas, late Houston at Memphis, late Miami at Oklahoma City, late Phoenix at Minnesota, late Toronto at Portland, late Chicago at L.A. Lakers, late

TUESDAY'S GAMES Golden State at Brooklyn, 7:30p.m. Philadelphia at Utah, 10p.m. San Antonio at L.A. Clippers, 10:30p.m.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS L.A. Lakers 114, San Antonio 106 Atlanta 120, Milwaukee 100 Brooklyn 120, Oklahoma City 96 Phoenix 115, Houston 89 Charlotte 106, Golden State 102 Denver 124, Portland 95 Chicago 100, L.A. Clippers 90

AMERICAN (EAST	w	L	T	PCT	PF	PΑ
Buffalo	6	3	0	.667	280	135
New England	6	4	0		275	
Miami	3	7	0	.300	177	
N.Y. Jets	2	7	Ö		161	
SOUTH	w	Ĺ	Ť	PCT	PF	PA
Tennessee	8	2	0	.800	278	232
ndianapolis	5	5	0	.500	268	230
Jacksonville	2	7	0	.222	149	232
Houston	1	8	0	.111	128	258
NORTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Baltimore	6	3	0	.667	231	217
Pittsburgh	5	3	1	.611	177	185
Cincinnati	5	4	0	.556	236	203
Cleveland	5	5	0	.500	231	241
WEST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Kansas City	6	4	0	.600	262	241
L.A. Chargers	5	4	0	.556	219	228
Las Vegas	5	4	0	.556	210	230
Denver	5	5	0	.500	200	183

Denver	5	5	0	.500	200	183
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EAST	W	L	Т	PCT	PF	PA
Dallas	7	2	0	.778	284	195
Philadelphia	4	6	0	.400	257	231
N.Y. Giants	3	6	0	.333	179	216
Washington	3	6	0	.333	185	246
SOUTH	W	L	Т	PCT	PF	PA
Tampa Bay	6	3	0	.667	279	212
New Orleans	5	4	0	.556	222	178
Carolina	5	5	0	.500		
Atlanta	4	5	0	.444	178	263
NORTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Green Bay	8	2	0	.800	216	180
Minnesota	4	5	0	.444		
Chicago	3	6	0	.333		
Detroit	0	8	1	.056	150	260
WEST	W	L	Т	PCT	PF	PA
Arizona	8	2	0	.800	287	189
L.A. Rams	7	2	0	.778	261	196
San Francisco	3	5	0	.375	185	202
Seattle	3	6	0	.333	181	186

/EEK 10 ONDAY'S RESULT A. Rams at San Francisco, late

HURSDAY'S GAME w England at Atlanta, 8:20p.m.

UNDAY'S GAMES Baltimore at Chicago, 1p.m. Detroit at Cleveland, 1p.m. Green Bay at Minnesota, 1p.m. Houston at Tennessee, 1p.m. Indianapolis at Buffalo, 1p.m. Miami at N.Y. Jets. 1n.m. New Orleans at Philadelphia, 1p.m. San Francisco at Jacksonville, 1p.m. Washington at Carolina, 1p.m. Cincinnati at Las Vegas, 4:05p.m. Arizona at Seattle, 4:25p.m. Dallas at Kansas City, 4:25p.m.

Pittsburgh at L.A. Chargers, 8:20p.m. MONDAY, NOV. 22 N.Y. Giants at Tampa Bay, 8:15p.m. Off: Denver, L.A. Rams

Nov. 16: New York time, signing period ends for Franchise Players who are eligible to receive offer sheets. Jan. 15: Wild Card Playoff Games.

LATE SUNDAY KANSAS CITY		, LA	S VI	EGA	S 14	ļ
Kansas City	7	10	10	14	_	4
Las Vegas	0	7	7	0	_	1
First Quarter						
KC: Hill 8pass f	rom	Mal	nome	es (B	utke	r
kick), 2:55.						
Second Quarte	r					
Las: Renfrow 6	pass	fror	n Ca	rr (C	arls	on
kick), 13:02.						
KC: FG Butker 4	10, 8:	24.				
KC: Hill 1nass f	rom	Mah	nome	es (B	utke	r

Third Ouarter Las: B.Edwards 37pass from Carr (Carlson kick), 12:16. KC: Gray 1 pass from Mahomes (Butker kick), 7:09. KC: FG Butker 35, :57.

Fourth Ouarter KC: Williams 38pass from Mahomes (Butker kick), 13:11. KC: Pringle 22 pass from Mahomes (Butker kick), 7:39.

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TEAM STATS	KC	LAS				
First downs	29	15				
Total net yards	516	299				
Rushes-yards	25-94	14-50				
Passing	422	249				
Punt returns	2-46	0-0				
Kickoff returns	2-34	4-79				
Interceptions ret.	1-0	0-0				
Comp-att-int	36-51-0	25-35-1				
Sacked-yards lost	0-0	2-12				
Punts	1-42.0	5-50.0				
Fumbles-lost	2-1	1-1				
Penalties-yards	4-34	9-68				
Time of possession	35:21	24:39				
RUSHING: Kansas City,	Williams 1	l1-43,				
McKinnon 3-26, Gore 6-	19, Bell 1-3	3, Hard-				
man 1-3, Hill 1-2, Henne	2-(-2). La	s Vegas,				
Carr 3-18, Drake 4-16, Ja						
PASSING: Kansas City,						
0-406, Townsend 1-1-0	-16. Las V	egas,				
Carr 25-35-1-261.						
RECEIVING: Kansas Cit						
9-101, Kelce 8-119, Hill						
4-46, Robinson 3-23, Ha						
Kemp 1-16, McKinnon 1-6, Gray 1-1.						

Las Vegas, Renfrow 7-46, Jacobs 5-20, Waller 4-24, Edwards 3-88, Drake 2-15,

Jackson 1-38, Jones 1-22, Ingold 1-5,

MISSED FIELD GOALS: KC, Butker 46.

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JACKIE ROBINSON RO	ОК	IES	. YE	AR
NL ROOKIE VOTING	1	2	3	PTS
Jonathan India, Cin	29	1	0	148
Trevor Rogers, Mia	1	26	3	86
Dylan Carlson, StL	0	3	13	22
Patrick Wisdom, ChC	0	0	5	5
Ian Anderson, Atl	0	0	3	3
Tyler Stephenson, Cin	0	0	2	2
Frank Schwindel, ChC	0	0	2	2
David Bednar, Pit	0	0	1	1
Vladimir Gutierrez, Cin	0	0	1	1
AL ROOKIE VOTING	1	2	3	PTS
Randy Arozarena, TB	22	4	2	124
Luis Garcia, Hou	2	15	8	63
Wander Franco, TB	2	5	5	30
Adolis García, Tex	3	1	9	27
Emmanuel Clase, Cle	1	2	0	11
Ryan Mountcastle, Bal	0	2	4	10
Shane McClanahan, TB	0	1	0	3
Alek Manoah, Tor	0	0	2	2

India: .269 AVG, 143 H, 21 HR, 69 RBI, 12 SB Arozarena: .274, 145 H, 20 HR, 59 RBI, 94 R

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RECENT ROOKIES OF THE YEAR					
	YEAR LO	PLAYER	TM V	VAR	
		. Kyle Lewis	Sea	1.6	
	2020 NI	. Devin Williams	Mil	1.2	
	2019 Al	. Yordan Álvarez	Hou	3.8	
	2019 NI	Pete Alonso	NYM	5.5	
	2018 AI	. Shohei Ohtani	LAA	4.0	

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

MEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED
1. Gonzaga (2-0) vs. Alcorn St. Next: vs. Belmont, Friday 2. UCLA (2-0) vs. Long Beach St. Next: vs. North Florida, Wednesday. 3. Kansas (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Stony Brook, Thursday.

4. Michigan (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Seton Hall. Tuesdav. 5. Villanova (1-1) did not play Next: vs. Howard, Tuesday. **6. Purdue (2-0) did not play. Next:** vs. Wright St., Tuesday.
7. Duke (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Gardner-Webb. Tuesdav 8. Texas (1-1) did not play. Next: vs. N. Colorado, Wednesday.
9. Baylor (2-0) beat Nicholls St. 89-60. Next: vs. Central Arkansas, Wednesday.

10. Illinois (2-1) lost to Marquette 67-66. Next: vs. Cincinnati, Nov. 22.

11. Memphis (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Saint Louis, Tuesday.

12. Oregon (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. BYU, Tuesday.

13. Kentucky (1-1) did not play. Next: vs. Mount St. Mary's, Tuesday.

14. Alabama (1-0) did not play. Next: vs. S. Dakota St., Friday.

15. Houston (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Virginia, Tuesday.

16. Arkansas (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Northern Iowa. Wednesda 17. Tennessee (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 5 Villanova, Saturday. 18. North Carolina (2-0) did not play. Next: at Charleston, Tuesday.

19. Ohio State (3-0) beat Bowling Green 89-58. Next: at Xavier. Thursday

20. Maryland (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. George Mason, Wednesday. 21. Auburn (2-0) did not play. Next: at South Florida, Friday.

22. St. Bonaventure (2-0) did not play. 23. UConn (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. LIU Brooklyn, Wednesday. 24. Florida (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Milwaukee, Thursday **25. USC (2-0) did not play. Next:** at Fla. Gulf Coast, Tuesday **MONDAY'S SCORES**

Marshall 80, Milligan 58

St. Francis (Pa.) 100, Fran. Steubenville 54 SOUTH Appalachian St. 98, William Peace 49 Clemson 93, Bryant 70 Kennesaw St. 117, Carver 58 Morehead St. 82, Kentucky Christian 57 SC-Upstate 96, St. Andrews 43 South Florida 56, NC A&T 54 Ohio St. 89. Bowling Green 58

SOUTHWEST Baylor 89, Nicholls 60 Denver 63, IUPUI 47

AP WOMEN'S TOP 25 FARED

1. South Carolina (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Clemson, Wednesday . UConn (1-0) did not play. Next: vs. 3. Marvland (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Mount St Mai 4. Indiana (2-0) did not play. Next: vs.Norfolk St., Tuesday 5. NC State (3-1) beat Towson 100-52. Next: vs. Kansas State, Friday. 6. Baylor (2-0) vs. New Orleans. Next: at No. 3 Maryland, Sunday. 7. Stanford (1-1) did not play. Next: vs. 8. lowa (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Southern U., Wednesday. 9. Oregon (2-0) did not play Next: at Oklahoma, Saturday.

10. Louisville (0-1) did not play. Next: vs. Bellarmine. Tuesdav. 11. Arizona (2-0) vs. No. Texas Southern. Next: vs. Marist, Friday 12. Texas (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. SE Missouri St., Wednesday.

13. Michigan (2-0) did not play. Next: 14. Iowa State (3-0) beat South Dakota St. 75-56. Next: at Dake, Thursday. 15. Oregon State (1-0) did not play. Next: vs. CS Bakersfield, Wednesday. 16. Tennessee (3-0) beat No. 23 S. Fla. 52-49. Next: vs. No. 12 Texas. Sunday 17. Florida St. (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Jacksonville, Thursday.

18. Georgia Tech (3-0) did not play. Next: at ETSU, Wednesday.

19. Kentucky (2-1) did not play. Next: 20. UCLA (1-0) did not play. Next: vs. CS Northridge, Thursday. 21. Ohio State (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Bowling Green, Wednesday. 22. West Virginia (0-0)did not play. Next: vs. St. Francis (Pa.), Tuesday 23. S. Florida (2-1) lost to No. 16 Tennes see 52-49. Next: vs. Syracuse, Sat 24. Texas A&M (2-0) vs. DePaul. Next: vs. Stephen F. Austin, Thursday. 25. Virginia Tech (3-0) did not play.

NITTO ATP TOUR FINALS

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Monday at The O2 Arena. London

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Maria Sakkari	1-1	2-2			
Aryna Sabalenka	1-1	2-2			
Iga Swiatek	1-2	3-4			
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Garbiñe Muguruza	2-1	5-3			
Anett Kontaveit	2-1	4-2			
Karolína Plíšková	2-1	4-4			
Barbora Krejcikova	0-3	2-6			

WTA MONTEVIDEO OPEN onday at Carrasco Lawn Tennis Club, Montevideo, Uruguay, red-clay WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32 #4 Irina Bara d. Katharina Gerlach,

#7 Paula Ormaechea d. Gabriela Lee, Carolina Meligeni Rodrigues Alves d. Victoria Bosio, 6-4, 6-0. Carol Zhao d. Valeriya Strakhova,

3-6, 6-1, 6-1,

2-6, 6-3, 6-0,



Pursued by Packers linebacker De'Vondre Campbell, right, Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson tries to get off a pass that missed its target on Sunday at Lambeau Field in Green Bay, Wisconsin. DEAN RUTZ/THE SEATTLE TIMES

NFL ANALYSIS

Sunday stunners: More unpredictability

Wilson is shut out for 1st time on another surprising NFL day

By Rob Maaddi Associated Press

Russell Wilson was shut out for the first time in his career. Taylor Heinicke outplayed Tom Brady. Aaron Rodgers had fewer touchdowns than Cam Newton.

Another Sunday was filled with upsets and unpredictability.

For the second straight week, four teams with losing records beat clubs that entered in first place or tied for first. It started with the Dolphins knocking off the Ravens on Thursday night. Washington defeated the Buccaneers. The Panthers routed the Cardinals. The Vikings edged the Chargers.

Even the Lions joined in on the surprises by avoiding a loss for the first time.

Wilson made a remarkable return from a severe finger injury only to throw a pair of picks in the end zone in Seattle's 17-0 loss to Rodgers and the Packers. Wilson wouldn't make excuses, but he was rusty after missing three games.

This could have been a big, big step for us here to get this win on the road," Wilson said. "Unfortunately, because of my mishaps here and there, it didn't happen that way. I look forward to watching the tape and seeing where I can get better, where we can get better."

The Seahawks (3-6) are reeling but still have a shot to chase the third wild-card spot if they can go on a run.

Rodgers also wasn't sharp in his return from COVID-19. He didn't practice all week and only joined the Packers on Saturday. The NFL's reigning MVP managed the offense well enough to lead the Packers (8-2) to victory.

The Packers moved to first place in the NFC. They blew home-field advantage last year, losing to Brady and the Buccaneers in the conference title game. The snow is already falling in Green Bay and no team wants to play at Lambeau Field in January.

The Buccaneers (6-3) made their road to a repeat even more difficult with a stunning 29-19 loss to lowly Washington (3-6). Brady threw two interceptions in his first

six passes and the team had too many costly mistakes.

The biggest concern has to be Tampa's vaunted defense that hasn't looked anything like the group that dominated Patrick Mahomes and the Chiefs in the Super Bowl. It couldn't stop Heinicke after giving up 29 points to Jameis Winston, Trevor Siemian and the Saints before the team's bye last week. Brady's magic won't be able to overcome a defense that shaky.

"We're not showing up on Sundays," Buccaneers coach Bruce Arians said.

Perhaps the most unlikely scenario in Week 10 was Newton returning to Superman status just three days after he returned to Carolina and three months since he last played in an NFL game. The Panthers signed Newton, the former face of the franchise, on Thursday and wasted no time using him. He backed up backup P.J. Walker and threw a TD pass and ran for a score in Carolina's 34-10 rout over Arizona.

Newton's return makes the Panthers (5-5) exciting and they're right in the mix for the playoffs, holding the seventh spot.

Meanwhile, the Cardinals (8-2) fell out of the NFC's top spot — they lost to the Packers last month — and they'll need Kyler Murray back to hold off the Rams (7-2) in the West.

There were some signs of consistency and normalcy on Sunday. The Tennessee Titans (8-2) remained

hot, beating New Orleans for their sixth straight win. Kansas City (6-4) is back in first place

in the AFC West thanks to Mahomes, who threw for 406 yards and five TDs in a 41-14 win at Las Vegas. The Buffalo Bills (6-3) got back on track

with a 45-17 win over the Jets following a 9-6 loss to the Jaguars last week. The Cowboys (7-2) destroyed the Falcons

43-3, rebounding from a lopsided loss to the And the Lions (0-8-1) remained winless.

Rvan Santoso missed a 48-vard field goal in overtime as the Lions played the Steelers to a 16-16 tie.

The Lions still have a chance to finish the season with zero wins. That would be one of the least surprising developments in an NFL season that's one of the hardest to figure out in recent years.

IN BRIEF

NHL shelves games amid outbreak

The NHL postponed three Senators games on Monday amid a COVID-19 outbreak on the team, the first time any North American major professional sports league has been hit by rescheduling this fall because of the coronavirus.

Games scheduled for Tuesday at New Jersey, at home Thursday against Nashville and at home Saturday against the Rangers were postponed. Ten Senators players are currently in the NHL's COVID-19 protocol.

While Ottawa played shorthanded Sunday in a 4-0 loss to Calgary, the depth of the outbreak led to the decision to postpone games, which the league said was made in light of evidence of continued spread in recent days. The Senators are shut down through at least Saturday, with their training facilities closed to players until then as a precaution.

"The Senators organization has, and will continue to follow, all recommended guidelines aimed at protecting the health and safety of its players, staff and community at large as set by the NHL, local, provincial and national agencies," the league said in a statement.

Neither the NFL nor the NBA has had to postpone a game so far this fall. Major League Baseball had nine virus-related postponements among 2,430 scheduled games, down from 45 in last year's shortened 900-game schedule.

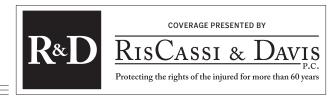
The NHL postponed 51 games for virus reasons during its last regular season.

College basketball: After an impressive win, Indiana has vaulted to its best ranking ever: No. 4 in The Associated Press Top 25 women's basketball poll. South Carolina

remained the top team in the poll, receiving 25 first-place votes from a national media panel. The Gamecocks had an impressive nine-point win at No. 5 North Carolina State to tip off the season. The Gamecocks were followed by UConn, which garnered the other five No. 1 votes, and Maryland.

MLB: Jonathan India of the Reds won NL Rookie of the Year honors on Monday night, eight months after earning the team's second base job during spring training and never letting it go during a stellar first season. He finished with a .269 average, 34 doubles, 21 homers, 69 RBIs and 12 stolen bases. He also showed good discipline in the batter's box, coaxing 71 walks to finish with a .376 on-base percentage, and scored 98 runs. ... Rays' Randy Arozarena won AL Rookie of the Year honors with a superb follow-up to his 2020 postseason heroics. Arozarena didn't play enough during the 2020 regular season to lose his rookie status so he was eligible for the award this year. He followed up his postseason breakout with an excellent season in 2021, finishing with a .274 average, 32 doubles, 20 homers and 69 RBIs while adding excellent defense, helping the Rays return to the postseason.

NFL: Chase Young will not play the rest of this season after injuring his right leg and is scheduled to undergo surgery. Washington coach Ron Rivera confirmed the prognosis for Young on Monday in the wake of the reigning Defensive Rookie of the Year going down during the first half of an upset of the defending Super Bowl champion Buccaneers. ... Steelers on Monday placed safety Minkah Fitzpatrick on the NFL's reserve/ COVID-19 list, where he joins quarterback Ben Roethlisberger.



Trinity

In the past week, temporary bleachers were added.

In response to the inequities, the women athletes at Trinity have formed a group called TrinWAL (Trinity College Women's Athletics League) and started a petition that amassed over 2,000 signatures. They have met with Trinity athletic director Drew Galbraith and other college officials, and on Nov. 4, college president Joanne Berger-Sweeney sent a letter to the Trinity community promising support for the women and a Title

IX audit. The proposed plan of a stadium capable of holding a total of 1,000 spectators on the sideline of Sheppard Field (women's) in preparation for the hosting the NCAA final four and championship turned out to be an unimpressive set of fiverow metal bleachers that were set up in a matter of days. Regardless of the plans, the end product on the Sheppard side is not the same quality, nor does it provide the same spectator experience, as the Miller side (men's)," the online petition reads.

Galbraith said there was a misunderstanding and that the initial drawings should not have been shown to donors and others who provided money for the project, that the plan was not to build up the stands equally on both sides and that the project is still ongoing.

"We want going forward for Title IX to be built into project planning at Trinity," said Emlyn Patry, a junior field hockey player from York, Maine. "It should be like an ADA compliance. And we want communication from the school because we were shown the photos of the renderings just like trustees and alumni were, to donate to it and then we had no communication until they were basically like, 'Here's the ribbon cutting ceremony.' This is not OK."

Series of miscommunications

The old Trinity wooden football press box still stands on the opposite side of Jessee/Miller Field. The press box and adjacent stands were condemned by the city of Hartford in 2017, and the other side of the stands was determined to be unsafe, Galbraith said. A structural engineer had to come and check the stands before every event.

In 2019, the school began to move forward with a renovation project for both Jessee/Miller Field and Robin L. Sheppard Field.

"Before the projects had received approval, kind of an idea phase, there was an image done looking at what a new Ferris [Gymnasium] addition could look like and it had what a potential stadium could look like," Galbraith said. "And I believe the artist's idea at that point was to reflect what was there for field hockey, because that was still kind of 'We're definitely going to do something with the field hockey stands; we have no idea [what].' But this was the 'Get a couple of people excited to have some momentum to go to trustees and say, 'We want to do these things and get approval.'

"Somehow that image [of the football and field hockey stadiums] made its way into some material,



Trinity field hockey players celebrate a goal during a home game Wednesday. The Bantams are headed to the NCAA Division III final four for the first time since 1998. JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT

some advance materials that were shown to people. It was not something we were showing regularly once we started the project and actually started designing it. It's very regrettable that that was out there, no matter how it happened, to create any expectation that there was something different coming."

The Trinity Tripod, the campus newspaper, reported that on March 23 an email was sent by Joe DiChristina, vice president for student success and enrollment, which announced the stadium construction was set to be finished in the fall of 2021. The email stated the complex would include, "New spectator stands for Trinity and visiting fans on Jessee/Miller and Sheppard fields that will offer comfortable, accessible and abundant capacity to enjoy games with clear lines of sight from any seat, a new press box supporting both fields and offering a modern, professional setting for media and coaching, two enclosed suites for spectating and stadium-related events, warming rooms for Trinity athletes and visiting teams for pregame, halftime and cold weather practices and modern, accessible restroom facilities."

The field hockey players thought their field would be renovated by the time they returned to school in August. They were shocked when they showed up and saw the new football stands and a big white tower on the football side, which houses an elevator to the top of the stands for handicapped access.

"Our side hadn't been touched yet, minus the fact that all our bleachers had been gone from last year," Patry said. "The athletic director came down a week or two into the preseason and said we'll start to see changes on our side and it will look really good. Within a day, the bleachers on our side were built up and it was a set of five-row bleachers, which is less than what we had previously.

"We have less seating now, and they got rid of our equipment shed that had lighting and power for charging iPads for game film. So now we were told we could use a shipping container that they had left over after construction. What we got is less than what we had before, and it was set up in a day vs. the other side.

"We were upset. We don't want Band-Aids on the problem. There are obviously systematic issues here on campus."

Shay said the container is full of construction equipment and is locked. The field hockey players have had to store their equipment under the baseball stadium.

"We had a full shed with hooks and bins and everything, and they took it away. And now we have what looks like a dumpster on the opposite side of the field, and it looks bad," Shay said.

Jim Shay, India's father, donated what his daughter termed "a pretty significant sum" to the stadium project.

"The school forgot to inform the donors or some number of donors about the changes that were made after they pitched the donors," Jim Shay said. "I received a very thorough, thoughtful, kind apology for that from the school. As far as my upset goes, the school addressed it, and I accepted their apology and I chalked it up to 'Shit happens.'"

He does understand why his daughter is upset.

"It hasn't been a great chapter in this realm, and I feel badly for everyone involved," he said. "I feel bad for the athletes first and foremost, because most of the time, my kid will say this has been a pattern in places in life. My opinion is that these kinds of things are a slow drip. Drip, drip, drip. And over time, it erodes an individual's feeling of self-worth or importance."

Galbraith said there will eventually be permanent bleacher seating built up (although not as high as the football side) with permanent warming buildings and restrooms on the field hockey side.

Brewing for years

Trinity's women athletes say issues involving inequity have been brewing for years, pointing to the softball team that has complained about playing on a grass field with no permanent stands, lights or press box and a scoreboard that doesn't work all the time.

Softball has struggled with an inferiority complex for years. The baseball stadium, built in 2013, has artificial turf, permanent stands and permanent press box and

"This has been an ongoing issue since 2013, when the baseball field was donated originally, and they had to match it with a softball field," said Trinity softball player Meeka Bolduc, a senior third baseman. "Ever since then, it's been kind of a rocky road for softball.

"The frustration really lies in the fact that we've been dealing with this for years. Coaches and parents and alumni have expressed their frustration and concerns that the program has not been dealt with on the same level as baseball."

The players said they were told the city of Hartford wouldn't allow the school to put in any more artificial turf after studies at the time indicated that the particles in the turf might be cancer-causing but field hockey and football and baseball all had turf. They were also told that they couldn't have lights because the city said the school already had enough lights and there were light pollution concerns.

Title IX does not require specific sports like baseball and softball to be treated the same, Title IX expert Donna Lopiano said. Instead, the athletic department as a whole has to be assessed.

"If I were a Title IX consultant and I went in to assess, the one rule we have to follow is that you compare all the facilities for women to all the facilities for men, then an equal proportion of those athletes need to be similarly served," said Lopiano, a former chief executive officer of the Women's Sports Foundation and current president of Sports Management Resources.

Galbraith said that the softball field issues are being looked into, with the primary concerns being the addition of permanent stands, a press box and the repair of the scoreboard.

He said the school would approach the city of Hartford again and ask about lights and artificial

"The idea that there's pain among our female student-athletes and they don't feel they've been treated equitably in general was more surprising," he said. "That's something we've got to work on."

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UCONN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Bueckers named Big East player of week

By Alexa Philippou Hartford Courant

Two days into the season and UConn women's basketball sensation Paige Bueckers has already picked up her first award.

Bueckers was named the Big East Player of the Week after a career-high 34-point performance Sunday in UConn's season-opening 95-80 win over Arkansas. The sophomore guard and reigning national player of the year did it on 15-of-19 shooting, while also coming away with six rebounds, four assists, two blocks, two steals and not turning the ball over at all in 40 minutes.

"There isn't any place on the floor that she can't play," coach Geno Auriemma said after the game. "There isn't any place on the floor where she's uncomfortable, and there isn't any situation that she finds herself in that she doesn't know what to do next."

Bueckers became the first freshman to win Big East player of the year and Big East Tournament most outstanding player last season, also joining Huskies legend Maya Moore as the only player to sweep the conference's player and freshman of the year awards.

The Huskies are back in action Saturday in the inaugural women's Battle 4 Atlantis Tournament, where they'll face Minnesota in their first game.

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opener against Arkansas.

The NCAA's recently adopted immediate eligibility rules don't apply to Poffenbarger, as there was a July 1 deadline for transfers to enter the portal to be eligible for the 2021-22 season. Unless she applies for and is granted a waiver, she will not be able to take the court again with her new school until the fall

When she was initially being recruited, Poffenbarger's top six schools included Oregon, Maryland, Missouri, Tennessee and Oklahoma, according to The Frederick News Post. Her mother played at Missouri. Oklahoma has a new coaching staff following the retirement of Sherri Coale.

The Huskies' roster now sits at 13 players, including three freshmen.

UConn remains No. 2 in AP poll

The Huskies remained No. 2 in the AP women's basketball Top 25 released Monday.

UConn received five firstplace votes and trailed only No. 1 South Carolina, which received the other 25 firstplace votes. Maryland was third.

Stanford dropped from No. 3 to No. 7 after Sunday's home loss to Texas, which climbed from No. 25 to No. 12.

An Associated Press report is included in this story.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL STATE ROUNDUP

UConn men climb one spot to No. 23 in the AP Top 25

Associated Press

UConn rose a spot to No. 23 in the AP Top 25 men's college basketball poll released Monday. The Huskies opened the season with a 2-0 week, beating CCSU 99-48 last Tuesday and Coppin State 89-54 on Saturday. Gonzaga, UCLA and Kansas held

the top three spots, unchanged from the preseason poll. ŪConn and No. 5 Villanova are

the only ranked Big East teams.

Villanova dropped a spot after Friday's 86-77 loss to UCLA.

Next up for UConn is a game against Long Island University on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at Gampel

Quinnipiac 76, Holy Cross 68: After trailing at halftime, the Bobcats (2-1) came on strong in the second half to beat Holy Cross (1-2) at People's United Center in

Tymu Chenery led five players

in double figures for Quinnipiac with 14 points. Dezi Jones scored 13 points, Kevin Marfo had 12 points, 14 rebounds and seven assists, Matt Balanc scored 12 points off the bench, and Tyrese Williams added

Judson Martindale had 15 points and six rebounds, and Kyrell Luc scored 14 for Holy Cross, which led 43-38 at the break but was outscored 38-25 in the second half.

The Bobcats led 30-28 with

7:27 left in the first half before the Crusaders went on a 14-4 run to lead 42-34 with 1:46 to go in the

The second half remained close until late. Holy Cross was within 69-66 with 1:51 to play in the game, but Quinnipiac hit seven of eight free throws the rest of the way to

Next up for the Bobcats is a home game against Central Connecticut on Saturday at 1 p.m.

Did you know?

The car of the driver who allegedly killed a 3-month-old infant in New York City in September has had an astonishing 160 traffic violations issued against it since 2017. The driver still had his license to drive.

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NATIONAL SPORTS REPORT

SHORTS

Gonzaga owns top spot in AP poll



Gonzaga, UCLA and Kansas held the top three spots in The Associated Press' first Top 25 rankings of the regular season while Michigan climbed two spots to No. 4. The Bulldogs received 55 first-place votes from a 61-person media panel in the poll released Monday after

a win over Texas. The No. 2 Bruins had six first-place votes after beating Villanova and the Jayhawks were third following a win over Michigan State. Villanova dropped a spot to No. 5. Purdue, Duke, Texas, reigning national champion Baylor and Illinois rounded out the top 10. Gonzaga was the runaway No. 1 in the preseason AP Top 25 following last season's run to the national championship game. The Zags returned key players from that team, including preseason All-American Drew Timme, pictured, and filled in the holes in their roster with skilled freshmen and transfers. Gonzaga expectedly rolled Dixie State in its opener and then had an early statement game, jumping on then-No. 5 Texas early on the way to a convincing win Saturday night. Timme was the catalyst, finishing with a career-high 37 points.

Djokovic beats Ruud at ATP Finals



Novak Djokovic extended his winning streak to six matches with a 7-6 (4), 6-2 victory over Casper Ruud on Monday at the ATP Finals. Following a two-month break after his loss to Daniil Medvedev in the U.S. Open final, which ended his pursuit of a calendar-year Grand Slam, the top-ranked Djokovic returned this

month and won the Paris Masters. He's now attempting to match Roger Federer's record of six titles at the season-ending event for the top eight players. The win gave Djokovic an early lead at the top of the Green Group in round-robin play, with 2018 champ Stefanos Tsitsipas playing Andrey Rublev later. Medvedev and Alexander Zverev won in the Red Group on Sunday as the tournament made its debut in Turin after 12 years in London. After the match, Djokovic was presented with the trophy for ending the year ranked No. 1, a feat he accomplished for a record seventh time — breaking a tie with childhood idol Pete Sampras. In an interview, Djokovic recounted how he fell in love with tennis watching Sampras when he was "4 or 5 years old" and asked his dad to buy him a racket.

Rodríguez and Tigers reach a deal



Pitcher Eduardo Rodríguez and the Tigers agreed to a \$77 million, fiveyear contract, a person familiar with the negotiations told The Associated Press, putting the left-hander on track to become the first of the 188 major league free agents to switch teams. The agreement is subject to a success-

ful physical Rodríguez, 28, whose fastball averages 93 mph, would join a Tigers rotation projected to include Casey Mize and Tarik Skubal on a team that finished third in the AL Central at 77-85, 16 games behind the first-place White Sox. Rodríguez utilizes five pitches, also throwing a cutter, sinker, slider and changeup. He was 13-8 with a 4.74 ERA in 31 starts and one relief appearance for the Red Sox this year, striking out 185 and walking 47 in 157 3 innings. He was signed to an \$8.3 million, one-year contract. Rodríguez was 1-1 in three postseason starts, losing to the Rays in the Division Series opener, getting a no-decision in Game 4 and beating the Astros in Game 3 of the AL Championship Series. He is 64-39 with a 4.16 ERA in six major league seasons, all with the Red Sox.



Jimmie Johnson, left, listens to crew chief Chad Knaus on Friday at Road Atlanta Raceway in Braselton, Georgia. JENNA FRYER/AP

AUTO RACING

Navigating the bumpy road

On again, off again: Knaus and Johnson relationship now solid

By Jenna Frver Associated Press

Jimmie Johnson stood at the doorway of the lounge inside a team transporter casually eating from a can of Pringles. Upon noticing his arrival, Chad Knaus spun in his chair to confront the driver he teamed with for seven NASCAR championships.

"Apparently you and I need to have a discussion," Knaus said to Johnson. "I'm going back to Charlotte."

"I've heard this before," Johnson laughed. Knaus moments earlier had learned of an interview released last week in which Johnson made unintentional headlines in a longform profile for "In Depth with Graham Bensinger." Among the soundbites promoted ahead of the television program was "Johnson unveiled specifics of his rift with former crew chief Chad Knaus, which eventually eroded their relationship and forced a separation."

Johnson and Knaus won 81 races together, as well as a record-tying seven Cup championships and a record five-straight from 2006 to 2010. Their relationship had always been up and down, and Rick Hendrick famously served the two milk and cookies following the 2005 season and ordered them to stop fighting or he'd split them apart.

The breakup didn't actually come until 2018, when the crew chief was moved from the No. 48 team he'd built 17 years earlier following two-plus losing seasons.

When times got tough, Chad reverted back to the crew chief that he was when we first started," Johnson told Bensinger. "Micromanaging, explaining where I was making mistakes, what I needed to do, how I needed to work on it."

The tense relationship unraveled, Johnson claimed, at the start of the 2017 season when he informed Knaus he wanted to live in Colorado — almost 1,800 miles away from

Hendrick Motorsports in Charlotte. "And things started to get personal then," Johnson told Bensinger, "and him questioning where my heart was with the team and the time and effort I wanted to spend to be with the team was really kind of the starting fracture point."

Johnson's quotes published ahead of the show release made headlines in NASCAR but Knaus had heard nothing of the interview until asked about it during an interview with The Associated Press at the Petit Le Mans sports car race at Road Atlanta. Johnson retired from NASCAR after the 2020 season and spent this last year as an IndyCar rookie and dabbling in IMSA sports cars, and Knaus is the strategist for the No. 48 Cadillac that Johnson and Hendrick Motorsports assembled to run in four endurance races.

"I mean, I thought we're fine," a confused

Knaus initially responded when asked by AP. It took several attempts to explain the context of Johnson's comments, and then Johnson at last arrived, blindsided by the conversation he'd just entered. He explained to Knaus "a headline writer" had picked a handful of soundbites from a lengthy, in-depth interview "as clickbait, to get traction for the show," and that his remarks were about their relationship three years ago.

Knaus wasn't actually upset and a restless Johnson, after eating a second can of Pringles and then a bag of cool ranch Doritos all while standing in the lounge doorway, went looking for something else to do during the long day of waiting around at the track.

It left Knaus to now himself revisit the breakup of arguably the best driver-crew chief combination in NASCAR history.

Johnson drove just two more seasons in NASCAR following the split, and Knaus was crew chief for another driver for the same length. He's now management at Hendrick and the vice president of competition.

"It was work, it was tough, right? I mean, we've gone through it and there was many a time we had to do maintenance on our relationship," Knaus told AP. "But every relationship needs maintenance, period, and we went through an ebb and a flow throughout our career. Even when the times were good, they weren't always good, right?'

But yet they always pulled through and

both remained committed to tying Hall of Famers Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt with seven Cup titles. They hit the mark in 2016 and even though Johnson won three of the first 13 races the next season, he and Knaus were headed toward a final breaking point over Johnson's desire to move his

family to Colorado. It's ancient history now to Knaus.

"You know, the Aspen thing, man, look, it is what it is," Knaus told AP. "It's hard from my perspective. I am older now and I am in a different place. But when I look back and look at where I was at that point, I was in it and living it every single day and in the grind. And you can begin to feel like a single parent the one the kid comes around for the weekend play, and you know, everything's great, but the kid doesn't want to play with them every single day. That's what that felt like going through that and it was challenging because (stuff) wasn't going well and you feel like you're in the storm by yourself."

Knaus now supervises the four current Hendrick drivers, among them Chase Elliott, who has not moved from his Georgia hometown. When asked what made Elliott's permanent address acceptable when Johnson could not relocate out of North Carolina, Knaus said it was situational. He pointed to a period of time when Jeff Gordon at his heyday lived in Florida without it harming his career or relationship with crew chief Ray Evernham, as well as Elliott's progression from rookie to 2020 Cup champion.

"It's all about the environment and when everything's going well, there's not many problems to be solved," Knaus told AP. "But if you're not running well, everything is in

Knaus relocated to the Action Express pit stand to call qualifying for the No. 48 at Road Atlanta. Kamui Kobayashi qualified the car, so Johnson sat behind Knaus wearing a headset to listen to the session.

Knaus signaled for Johnson's attention.

'You good, bud?" Johnson responded. "Well, I was until I found out you hated

me," Knaus deadpanned. The two began to laugh, both content with the current state of their relationship.

NFL COMMENTARY

Karma may need a word with Rodgers

By Jim Litke Associated Press

Seattle at Green Bay was never going to live up to the hype, and really how could it? Karma intervenes in pro wrestling all the time, sure, but rarely in the NFL.

So those who hoped to see Aaron Rodgers laid low for misleading most everyone about his vaccination status will have to bide their time. Ditto for those who hoped he'd emerge from a 10-day quarantine after a positive COVID-19 test like some avenging superhero, proving that Joe Rogan's hair-of-the-dog-engineered cocktails work as well as anything the Centers for Disease Control approves.

As it turned out, Rodgers was barely better than Russell Wilson — the Seahawks QB was making his own return from a hand injury — and just good enough to help the Packers get a 17-0 win. 'I'm happy, I'm just so tired," Rodgers

said. "It's been a long, long 10 days." Unlike his coach and teammates, Rodgers spoke to reporters via video conference instead of in person, apparently so

he didn't have to don a mask. "I feel pretty good for the most part," he added a moment later. "I'd say I played fairly solid."

Rodgers completed 23 of 37 passes for 292 yards, with two touchdowns and an uncharacteristic interception in the end zone. He threw under, over or to the wrong side of receivers a handful of times and even bounced one pass off the helmet of Seattle defensive lineman Bryan Mone.

But "solid" was a fair description for a 37-year-old QB coming back from a layoff and playing in the howling winds, occasional snow and near-freezing temperatures at Lambeau Field. Lucky for him, Wilson was even rustier.

'I'm not going to say that we're a defensive football team just yet," Rodgers said, "but we've definitely been playing like that the last few weeks."

That development helped pave over a rocky stretch that could have cost the Packers a lot more than the \$300,000 fine leveled by the league for violating its COVID-19 protocols, but instead saw them shore up their lead in the division and take over the top spot in the NFC. How long that continues to work, however, depends largely on where Rodgers takes his crusade from here.

He's already been fined \$14,650, lost at least one endorsement, and two less-than-satisfying interviews Rodgers did on Pat McAfee's show did not win him back any fans. His teammates, whether they back his stance or not, wouldn't dare speak out. Coach Matt LaFleur knew what Rodgers meant by "immunized" when he mislead the rest of us back in August.

"You could feel the guys, they were excited to have him back," LaFleur said. "I felt that (Saturday). I felt that (Sunday). ... Anytime you get a player of that caliber back on your team, I think everybody's pretty excited."

Rodgers has already made clear he doesn't intend to get vaccinated anytime soon, and under the league protocol he can't be forced into a five-day quarantine for "close contact" with someone who tests positive for COVID-19 and won't even be tested again until two days after the NFC championship game. After that, though, Rodgers will be subjected to daily testing, prompting a question about how he'd feel if his unvaccinated status caused him to miss the Super Bowl.

"I don't really like playing the what-if game," Rodgers replied. "What I do know is I have more than two months right now where my protocol is not testing every single day. So that's kind of the only thing I'm thinking about."

There's an easy way to take the "what-if" question out of the equation entirely. It's called a vaccine, and it's readily available within a short drive of the Packers' facility or wherever you happen to be while reading this. It's not just the smart thing, or something you do to help the team, it's good karma, too.

Thickening

seasonable.

Seattle 50/35/SH

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73 50 S

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AROUND THE WORLD Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

New Orleans

Nashville

Okla. City

Omaha

Orlando

Raleigh

St. Louis

San Antonio

San Diego

Pittsburgh

60s

El Paso 81/50/S

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Phoenix

83/55/PC

Billings

50s

70s

Denver

■ 71/24/PC

70s

69 56 PC

77 61 PC

49 39 PC

76 55 PC

69 39 PC

78 57 S

42 38 PC

69 59 PC

81 61 PC

68 57 PC

KEY: S Sunny, C Cloudy, PC Partly Cloudy, R Rain, SH Showers, SN Snow, SF Snow Flurries, T T-storms

Salt Lake City 57 28 C

609

Kansas City 68/44/PC

Dallas

77/62/S

81/63/PC

86 76 PC

83 48 S

47 42 PC

64 48 PC

90 75 SH

59 33 PC

74 68 C

71 66 PC

San Juan

Tucson

Athens

Beijing

Beirut

Bermuda

Bangkok

Barbados

WORLD

Amsterdam

70s

Portland

50/36/SH

San

Francisco

66/56/PC

64/49/PC

Baltimore

Bismarck

Charlestor

Cincinnati

Cleveland

Indianapolis

Jacksonville

Miami Beach

Las Vegas

Milwaukee

Buffalo

cloudiness and

WEDNESDAY

WEATHER

TUESDAY

Sunshine with a

few fair weather

Greenwich

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Anchorage

Juneau

Honoluli

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40 24 PC

39 20 C

45 19 PC

37 19 C

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Bangor

Caribou

Concord

Montpelier

Mt. Wash.

Portland

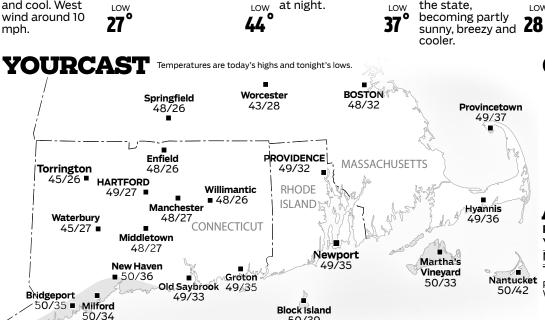
Woods Hole

NATION

Burlington

clouds, breezy

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HIGH

THURSDAY

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NOON

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Showers are likely

Partly sunny,

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Lebanon

Philadelphia

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Miami

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71 47 SH

83 75 SH

86 71 S

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69 56 PC

Johannesburg 86 63 PC

81/70/PC

Kingston

London

Madrid

Milan

Mexico City

Montreal

Moscow

Nassau

Paris

Rome

Prague

New Delhi

49/38/S

Washington D.C.

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Detroit 45/41/PC

Atlanta

68/52/PC

Tampa 78/61/S

Budapest

Cairo

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Dublin

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Jerusalem

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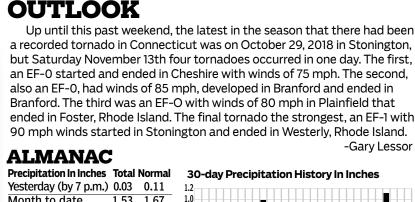






HIGH Sunny and cool. LOW LOW 27





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Tides

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Saybrook Jetty

at Portland

New Haven

Stamford

Boating

Wind

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Weather

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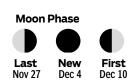
Connecticut River

Month to date 1.53 1.67 Total this year 51.57 41.13 Precipitation, temperature at Windsor Locks

Air Quality Forecast For Today

Good 17	Low 2	29°
Air Quality	Ultraviolet Index Today	Wind Chill Today

	Today	Tomorrow
Sunrise	6:41 a.m.	6:42 a.m.
Sunset	4:30 p.m.	4:29 p.m.
Moonrise	3:25 p.m.	3:48 p.m.
Moonset	3:50 a.m.	4:52 a.m.



Stockholm

Tel Aviv

Toronto

Vancouver

WESTERN

UNIVERSITY

CONNECTICUT

Weather Center

Warsaw

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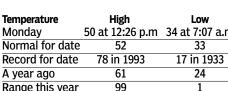
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River Stage at Hartford: 9.79 feet at 5:30 p.m.

L.I. Sound W

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W. 15-20

High

Low

7:07 a.m. 1:03 a.m.

7:21 p.m. 1:48 p.m.

8:18 a.m. 1:56 a.m.

8:32 p.m. 2:41 p.m.

11:01 a.m. 5:42 a.m.

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8:53 a.m. 2:38 a.m.

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W, 15-20

2-4 ft.

Temp.

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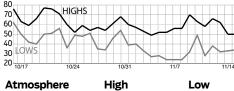
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4-6 ft.

Temperature	High	Low
Monday	50 at 12:26 p.m	34 at 7:07 a.m
Normal for date	52	33
Record for date	78 in 1993	17 in 1933
A year ago	61	24
Range this year	99	1
		Last

Season **Heating Degree Days** Normal Season For July 1 - Nov 15 581 785 650

30-day Temperature History



29.83 at 7 p.m.

33° at 2 a.m.

MONDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL RESULT ABBOTT TECH/IMMACULATE 40. VG JESDAY'S HIGH **SCHOOL SCHEDULE** GIRLS SOCCER

Class **LL**—Semifinals No. 10Wilton (11-1-6) vs. No. 6Fairfield

Nov 19

88 74 SH

54 45 PC

58 38 S

72 43 PC

56 46 SH

36 27 PC

35 25 PC

79 75 PC

81 55 S

51 42 C

51 34 PC

81 68 PC

64 51 SH

90 77 SH

66 49

Ludlowe (13-3-2) at Bunnell HS, Strat-

ford, 6p.m. No. 12Fairfield Warde (13-4-2) vs. No. 9Staples (12-2-4) at Trumbull HS, 6:30

Class L-Semifinals No. 4Waterford (14-2-2) vs. No. 1St. Joseph (17-0-1) at West Haven

No. 10Simsbury (11-2-6) vs. No. 6E.O. Smith (13-2-4) at Windsor HS, 7p.m. Class **M**—Semifinals No. 9Granby (15-4) vs. No. 4Mercy (15-2-2) at New Britain HS, 5p.m. No. 10Notre Dame-Fairfield vs. No. 3

Sacred Heart Academy (15-0-3) at Class S-Semifinals No. 24Northwest Catholic (9-8-2) vs. No. 12Coginchaug (12-3-2) at Municipal Stadium, Waterbury, 6:30p.m. No. 6Somers (14-3-1) vs. No. 2Holy

Cross (15-2-1) at New Britain HS, 7p.m.

FIELD HOCKEY

Class L-Semifinals No. 5Glastonbury (14-1-2-1) vs. No. 1 New Canaan (18-0) at Pomperaug HS, Southbury, 6p.m.

No. 11Wilton (11-3-4) vs. No. 2Darien (17-1) at Norwalk HS, 6p.m. Class M-Semifinals No. 3Barlow (13-2) vs. No. 2Wethersfield (17-1) at Watertown HS, 6p.m. No. 4Pomperaug (14-2-0-2) vs. No. 1 Guilford (17-1) at Cheshire HS, 6p.m

Class **S**-Semifinals No. 8Granby (13-5) vs. No. 4North Branford (14-2-2) at Wethersfield HS, 6p.m. No. 3Thomaston (13-1-2) vs. No. 2Stonington (16-2) at Branford HS, 6:30p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Class **M**—Semifinals No. 14Mercy (15-6) vs. No. 2Seymour (20-0) at Law HS, Milford, 6p.m. No. 13Ledyard (17-6) vs. No. 1Weston (22-0), site TBA, 6p.m. Class S-Semifinals No. 12Griswold (15-7) vs. No. 8Coventry (17-6) at Bacon Academy, Colches-

No. 3Lyman Memorial (18-2) vs. No. 2 Granby (21-1) at SMSA HS, Hartford,

GIRLS SWIMMING

Aquatic, West Hartford, 5p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S HIGH

Class L Championship at Southern Connecticut State, New Haven, 5p.m.

Class M Championship at Cornerstone

SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Class LL-Semifinals at Municipal Stadium, Waterbury No. 13Cheshire (11-4-2) vs. No. 1Xavier (16-0-2), 5p.m. No. 7Farmington (15-3-1) vs. No. 6

Staples (13-1-4), 7p.m. Class L—Semifinals No. 12Wethersfield (13-3-3) vs. No. 9 Guilford (14-3-2) at Naugatuck HS, 6 No. 14Fitch (13-5) vs. No. 2Watertown

(15-2) at Law HS, Milford, 7p.m. Class **M**—Semifinals No. 3Stonington (17-1) vs. No. 2Suffield No. 12Ellington (13-4-2) vs. No. 8Ledv

ard (15-3) at Xavier HS, Middletown,

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Class LL-Semifinals

No. 3Darien (19-1) vs. No. 2Greenwich (21-1) at Fairfield Warde HS, 6p.m. Class **L**—Semifinals No. 5North Haven (19-4) vs. No. 1RHAM (20-1) at New Britain HS, 6p,m

No. 11Simsbury (17-5) vs. No. 10Bristol Eastern (17-5), site TBA, 6p.m.

GIRLS SWIMMING

Class LL Championship at Southern Connecticut State, New Haven, 5p.m Class S Championship at Cornerstone

BOYS SOCCER

Class S-Semifinals at New Britain HS

GIRLS SWIMMING

MONDAY'S COLLEGE RESULTS

TUESDAY'S

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Basketball Hall of Fame Showcase (Uncasville) UMass Lowell vs. Oklahoma State, 5

Central vs. NC State, 8p.m.

COLLEGE SCHEDULE

MEN'S BASKETBALL

LIU at UConn (Gampel), 6:30p.m. Purchase at Wesleyan, 7p.m. St. Joseph at Babson, 7:30p.m. Basketball Hall of Fame Showcase (Uncasville) Central vs. UMass Lowell, 5p.m. NC State vs. Oklahoma State, 8p.m.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Butler at UConn, 1p.m

Boston University at Hartford, 7p.m.

Quinnipiac at Army, 6p.m.

Central at Brown, 6p.m.

Hartford at Houston Baptist, 8p.m.

29.70 at 6 a.m.

30° at 2 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

August 28: Fresno State 45, UConn 0

Sept. 4: Holy Cross 38, UConn 28

Sept. 11: Purdue 49, UConn 0

Sept. 18: Army 52, UConn 21 Sept. 25: Wyoming 24, UConn 22

Oct. 9: UMass 27, UConn 13 Oct. 16: UConn 21, Yale 15

Nov. 13: Clemson 44. IIConn 7 Nov. 20: at Central Florida, 4p.m.

CENTRAL (3-7)

Oct. 2: Vanderbilt 30, UConn 28

Oct. 22: Middle Tennessee 44, UConn 13

Sept. 3: Southern Conn. 28, Central 21 Sept. 11: Central 21. Wagner 19

Sept. 18: Southeastern Louisiana 56.

Sept. 25: Miami 69. Central 0

Oct. 23: LIU 30, Central 13 Oct. 30: Central 49, Merrimack 21

TRINITY (8-1)

Nov. 6: Central 30, Bryant 15

Sept. 18: Trinity 42, Tufts 28 Sept. 25: Trinity 38, Bowdoin 14

Oct. 9: Trinity 34, Hamilton 7

Oct. 16: Trinity 45, Bates 7

Oct. 23: Trinity 35, Colby 12

Oct. 30: Williams 42, Trinity 3

Nov. 6: Trinity 49, Amherst 7

WESLEYAN (6-3)

Nov. 13: Trinity 14, Wesleyan 7

Oct. 2: Wesleyan 27, Bates 24

Oct. 16: Wesleyan 36, Tufts 35

Nov. 13: Trinity 14, Wesleyan 7

Sept. 18: Holy Cross 20, Yale 17

Sept. 25: Yale 23, Cornell 17

Oct. 9: Dartmouth 24, Yale 17

Oct. 30: Yale 37, Columbia 30

Nov. 13: Princeton 35, Yale 20

Sept. 4: Sacred Heart 21, Bucknell 0

Sept. 11: Bryant 17. Sacred Heart 6

Oct. 2: Howard 22, Sacred Heart 17

Sept. 18: Sacred Heart 21, Morgan State 7

Sept. 25: Dartmouth 41, Sacred Heart 3

Oct. 9: Sacred Heart 20, Merrimack 10

Oct. 23: Sacred Heart 31, Duquesne 13

Nov. 6: Sacred Heart 14, St. Francis (Pa.) 13

Oct. 16: Sacred Heart 27, Central 17

Nov. 13: Sacred Heart 27, Wagner 0

Nov. 20: at LIU, 1p.m.

USL

Oct. 16: UConn 21, Yale 15

Oct. 23: Yale 42, Penn 28

Nov. 6: Yale 63, Brown 38

Nov. 20: vs. Harvard, noon

SACRED HEART (7-3)

Oct. 2: Yale 34, Lehigh 0

YALE (5-4)

Oct. 9: Wesleyan 38, Bowdoin 35

Sept. 18: Wesleyan 21, Colby 5 Sept. 25: Wesleyan 30, Hamilton 14

Oct. 23: Wesleyan 24, Middlebury 0

Oct. 30: Amherst 16, Weslevan 14(4OT) Nov. 6: Williams 25, Wesleyan 0

Oct. 2: Trinity 28, Middlebury 0

Nov. 13: Duquesne 31, Central 27

Nov. 20: vs. St. Francis (Pa.), noon

Oct. 9: Columbia 22, Central 20 Oct. 16: Sacred Heart 27, Central 17

LOCAL SCHEDULES

UCONN (1-9)

Ex-Mets manager Luis Rojas is headed to the Yankees. LYNNE SLADKY/AP

YANKEES

Former Mets manager Rojas hired as 3B coach

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The New York Yankees hired former Mets manager Luis Rojas as their third base coach on Monday, a month after he lost his job with the crosstown

Rojas managed the Mets for the past two seasons. The team declined its 2022 option for him on Oct. 4, a day after finishing third in the NL East at 77-85.

Rojas will take the spot of Phil Nevin, who had been the Yankees' third base coach since the 2018 season. Nevin was let go last month, shortly after he waved home Aaron Judge in a key spot in the AL wild-card game at Boston — Judge was easily thrown out, and the Red Sox went on to win.

The Yankees tied with Kansas City for making the most outs at the plate this season with 22.

Several ex-Mets have found success over the years after leaving Queens and finding new homes in the Bronx.

Former Mets stars David Cone and Darryl Strawberry won World Series rings with the Yankees, and Dwight Gooden pitched a no-hitter for them. Former player and manager Joe Torre won four championships guiding the Yankees.

Rojas, 40, the son of former big league player and manager Felipe Alou, spent the last 16 seasons with the Mets organization. The Mets were 103-119 with him as manager. When the Mets dismissed Rojas, they

said he had been offered the opportunity

to remain in the organization in a role that

had yet to be determined. Rojas had been

the Mets' quality control coach in 2019 and previously been a minor league manager and coach for the club.

The Mets had been expected to challenge for the playoffs or even a pennant with \$341 million newcomer Francisco Lindor at shortstop, a major move under new owner Steve Cohen.

New York led its division for 90 straight days despite a wave of injuries, and Rojas drew praise for his steady hand and communication skills. But a lot fell apart over the final two months of the season with ace Jacob deGrom, Lindor and others on the injured list and several stars stuck in slumps.

A 2-11 skid against the Dodgers and Giants, baseball's top two teams, dropped the Mets from five games over .500 and tied for first place to 62-66 and 6 ½ games out on Aug. 26. In a middling division, they lost the lead for good on Aug. 14 and never really recovered. The Mets went 26-34 during Rojas' first

year as manager and finished tied for last place in the pandemic-shortened 2020 Roias was elevated to skipper in Janu-

ary 2020 by former general manager Brodie Van Wagenen as the replacement for Carlos Beltrán. The promotion came just days after Beltrán was let go without managing a single game as part of fallout from the Houston Astros' 2017 sign-stealing scandal.

Rojas turned 40 on Sept. 1 and was the second-youngest manager in the majors, 24 days older than Minnesota's Rocco

Barometer

Dew point

No. 12Fairfield Ludlowe (17-5) vs. No. 1Cheshire (21-0) at Pomperaug HS,

Aquatic, West Hartford, 5p.m.

THURSDAY'S HIGH **SCHOOL SCHEDULE** CIAC STATE TOURNAMENTS

(15-2-1), 5p.m. No. 6Somers (15-3-1) vs. No. 20ld Saybrook (16-0-2), 7p.m.

CIAC Diving State Open at Middletown

MEN'S BASKETBALL

HOLY CROSS AT QUINNIPIAC, LATE

COLLEGE **SCHEDULE**

Yale at Siena, 7p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S

Eastern at Springfield, 5:30p.m.

Yale at Sacred Heart, 6p.m. Coast Guard at Trinity, 7p.m.

THURSDAY'S COLLEGE **SCHEDULE**

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

MEN'S BASKETBALL

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFFS

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE Conference Finals

Louisville City at Tampa Bay, 7:30p.m. WESTERN San Antonio at Orange County, 10p.m.